



Field Day 2000

Storm dampens spirits

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Features Editor

Along with Saturday's weather, students' spirits at WSUR's Field Day 2000 went from sunny and pleasant to dark and overcast when headliner Run DMC's performance was cancelled due to inclement weather. A disappointing end to a fun and successful concert, the thunderstorm brought the momentum that had begun at noon on the intramural fields to a screeching halt.

The concert opened with a few scattered students lounging in the fields watching student bands, such as Three Track Mind and Masterplan. Attendants' numbers and energy began to increase when the popular DIVIDE started its per-

formance at 6:30 p.m. Shortly thereafter, a large and somewhat boisterous crowd had collected in front of the stage, anxiously awaiting former Roots artist, Rahzel. A live DJ and The Ground Attack break dance troupe kept the audience entertained while the stage was being set up.

Rahzel quickly proved the validity of his title, "The Beat Box Champ," as he sang a chorus, while simultaneously making scratch and bass beat noises, using only his voice as an instrument. Response to his performance was lively, and students became more and more eager to see additional live hip-hop.

It may have been this crescendo of energy that augmented the thump of stu-

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Field Day 2000 came to an abrupt halt as the result of a thunderstorm.

Future of Paddy Murphy undecided

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Sigma Alpha Epsilon (ΣAE) has volunteered to remain inactive until the University finishes its investigation into the events that followed Paddy Murphy a few

weekends ago, according to Carol Williamson, Vice President of Student Affairs. Public Safety closed the Commons on the evening of Saturday, April 29, due to a food fight and disturbance inside.

The Dining Hall incident report-

edly occurred after some individuals, who were returning from ΣAE's Paddy Murphy, had gone to the dining hall intoxicated. "As I understand it, students came in large groups at one time," said Jane Fandray, Director of University Dining Services (UDS). "In this case, in my view, because the students were drunk, they did not behave appropriately."

Although Paddy Murphy is also a popular social event, the annual fundraiser is held by the SSU chapter of ΣAE to benefit the Children's Miracle Network. "[ΣAE] wanted to have a good event. They wanted it for charity," commented Williamson. "They had good intentions."

This year's Paddy Murphy, which had around 900 attendees, raised about \$1000 for the cause, according to Benjamin Grimes, the fraternity's president. The event was held at a field in Fruitland with live entertainment, food, and beer.

Grimes explained that ΣAE had hired Mulligan's Restaurant and Sports Pub, which was unavailable for comment, as a third-party vendor for Paddy Murphy. "[ΣAE] had nothing to do with security or ID-checking or alcohol distribution," he said. "Everything was run legally and through the proper channels." According to Grimes, ΣAE provided publicity, while

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In Case You Missed It...

LOS ALAMOS RESIDENTS TOUR TOWN'S RUINS

Made refugees by fire, the residents of Los Alamos, NM, returned Sunday in convoys of yellow school buses to see charred homes, blackened yards, and still-smoking vistas. Only those whose homes were destroyed were allowed back up the winding roads to the remote city. They weren't allowed to leave the buses and could only survey what remained of their properties from a distance. Residents won't be allowed to return permanently until at least the end of this week, emergency officials said.

COLUMBINE REPORT DUE OUT YESTERDAY

Facing a barrage of lawsuits from victims and relatives of those killed in the Columbine High School massacre in Littleton, CO, the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office is preparing to release its 13-month investigation report on the shootings. Monday was the deadline that a Jefferson County district judge set for investigators to hand over the report to the families who are suing Sheriff John Stone and his investigators. Some parents are also mounting a campaign to recall Stone, accusing him of denying them access to investigation information in order to stall their lawsuits, which had to be filed within one year of the attack. The report, which includes audio and photo clips, will be available on CD-ROM.

LAWSUIT TO DELAY DEPORTATION OF THAI BOY

In a surprise decision one week ago, a federal judge in Los Angeles ordered the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) to wait two weeks before deporting two-year-old Phanupong Khaisri. He was smuggled into the U.S. from Thailand more than a month ago, and his case has borne striking similarities to that of Elian Gonzalez. Although INS officials said they have had nothing but the boy's best interests in mind, community leaders in L.A. said the case raises concerns over how the INS handles children from abroad left alone in America. Advocates for the child grew concerned that the INS was rushing his expatriation. His next hearing is scheduled for May 23.

UNITED AIRLINES CANCELS 108 FLIGHTS

United Airlines cancelled 108 of its 2,400 flights on Sunday because of a pilot shortage and weather-related problems. Many United pilots have been refusing to work overtime because of a lack of progress in contract negotiations. A United Airlines spokesman said Sunday that he could not say how many of Sunday's cancellations were due to the weather and how many were due to the pilots' decision. In addition, 240 of 2,400 United flights were also cancelled on Saturday because of the same problems.

SALVATION ARMY HELPS RECORD NUMBER OF NEEDY

The Salvation Army helped a record number of Americans last year as more than 33 million people received lodging, food, and help recovering from natural disasters. The Salvation Army's basic services - providing clothing or groceries from local centers - accounted for about 18 million of those cases, according to their 1999 service report, which was released Monday. The total number of people served last year topped the 1998 total by almost 1.4 million. "Amid the atmosphere of this robust economy, there are still millions of Americans in need," said John Busby, national commander of the Salvation Army. A survey in November by *The Chronicle of Philanthropy* found that for a seventh consecutive year, the Salvation Army was the top choice among charities, raising \$1.2 billion in cash and donated goods.

BARRELS OF STOLEN CYANIDE FOUND IN NYC

Twenty barrels of deadly potassium cyanide were found Saturday in a New York park, 10 days after they disappeared from a New Jersey warehouse. An anonymous 911 call reported the barrels were in plain view next to a baseball park in a Bronx neighborhood. Police immediately evacuated about 75 families. Investigators wearing protective suits inspected the orange barrels to ensure that they remained sealed, said Mayor Rudolph Giuliani. The barrels were relocated nine days after a trailer went missing on May 4 from a warehouse in Linden, NJ. The shipping container with the drums of potassium cyanide was destined for Puerto Rico. The FBI confiscated the barrels, but officials cautioned that the agency is involved because the crime is considered interstate theft, and not because they suspect terrorists.

FOSSIL REVEALS SECRETS OF BIG, BAD T. REX

In the movies, Tyrannosaurus rex is a solitary killer. But many scientists are beginning to believe the real-life carnivores hunted in packs. Evidence? An excavation of Sue, the most complete T. rex fossil ever found, also yielded juvenile and infant T. rexes in the same location. CT-scans of the desk-sized skull of Sue are teaching scientists about the secret lives of T. rexes, including how they saw, heard, and smelled. Sue's skeleton will be unveiled at the Field Museum in Chicago on May 17 after nearly

three years of cleaning and assembly. For now, it is off-limits to the public.

MIDWEST STORMSKILL TWO, INJURE OTHERS

A quickly moving storm spawned tornadoes, high winds, and baseball-sized hail from Texas to Michigan Friday night, killing one person in Texas and injuring at least two dozen others. A 4-year old Kansas girl died earlier in the day in the aftermath of a tornado. One person died in Hill County, about 60 miles south of Dallas, when a twister touched down Friday evening. In St. Nazianz, WI, straight-line wind gusts up to 110 mph and baseball-sized hail caused heavy damage to a mobile home park Friday night, where several people



were injured, officials said. Storms also swept through Illinois with rain, high winds, hail, and at least two tornadoes in the southern part of the state. Storms in the Chicago area contributed to flight delays and cancellations at O'Hare and Midway airports.

Overheard on Red Square Field Day

Who didn't like to be frisked twice?

LAX

Two national champs for Salisbury? Sounds like a powerful combination.

Million Mom March

Of course Clinton is going to address 1,000,000 women - it's his biggest fantasy come true.

WSUR...

So, why couldn't you control the weather anyway? Everyone seems to think you can.

End of Semester

No more issues of The Flyer!!!!!! What are you going to do without us for an entire summer?!?!?!?

New students get acquainted with SSU

Sue DiGiulio Staff Writer

Each year, incoming freshmen and transfers are inundated with new faces and places to which they must adjust. The whole process can be a bit overwhelming. The New Student Experience at SSU strives to make this transition easier through seminars, outdoor programs, and various activities with student organizations. The Fall 2000 semester will introduce a few new additions to the usual welcoming routine, intended to give the New Student Seminar a more exciting and interactive appeal.

The activities begin on July 19, when Salisbury welcomes 100 incoming freshmen and their families each day for a nine-day period. These campus visits will

include tours, student question-and-answer panels, as well as sessions with faculty and staff members, who will field questions and assuage concerns about the upcoming school year.

For the first time ever, SSU will also host an introduction program for transfer students, planned for July 5 and 6. These sessions will be similar to those held for incoming freshmen, but will be adjusted accordingly since transfer students have already experienced a campus and college life of some sort prior to their admission at SSU.

The second phase of the New Student Seminar takes place on August 29 in Red Square with the traditional "ice-breaker" activities, corresponding with this year's "Get on Board" theme. On the fol-

lowing day, a cultural diversity session will be held at noon with guest speaker, Dr. Beltrain Navaaro, proceeded by a drug and alcohol session at 7:30 that evening.

New Student Experience Director Lawanda Dockins-Gordy explained why upcoming events, such as the ones offered in the fall's new program, are an important part of adjusting to college life. "We try to provide [new students] with information that puts students in touch with all of the resources available, which is very important when you're trying to make some type of connection with other new students and upperclassmen," said Dockins-Gordy. "I'm very pleased with our experiential programs."

Some of the numerous activities students may choose as part of the New Student Seminar include STARS (Students Taking Action and Responsibility on the Shore) Service Learning Programs, curriculum-based CHAMPS (Challenging Athletes Minds for Personal Success/Life Skills) programs, and a brand-new session called Fun with Forensics: An Introduction to Laboratory Science. This five-day session allows students to participate in a murder mystery, performing tests similar to those in actual crime labs to determine the victim's cause of death and attacker.

The final portion of the New Student Seminar is the six-week classroom curriculum, which will now be known as ASAP (Achieving Social, Academic, and Personal Success). Although similar to

ones held in the past, ASAP has become more interactive and relaxed, with students experiencing various aspects of SSU in a hands-on manner.

As in previous years, new students will get to select two organizations that interest them during the Activities Fair in Red Square, which is one of the events that students are required to attend. Topics for discussion during the six-week period will focus on the social, academic, and personal success of college life.

As in the past, students may choose the alternative choice to the classroom seminar by participating in one of the many outdoor programs. The outdoor programs available this summer include the Acadia Cycle, a week-long bike tour of Acadia National Park on Mount Desert Island in Maine; and the Algonquin Canoe trip, a 12-day hiking and canoeing excursion on the lakes of Algonquin Provincial Park in Ontario, Canada.

Sophomore Sean Wilson remembers his experience at Algonquin as one of the most memorable ones he has had at SSU so far, and it helped ease his transition into college life. "It was a lot better coming here to college knowing 40 people, instead of not knowing anyone," he said. "It made my freshman year a lot better."

Other outdoor choices are the Chesapeake SAIL (Students Aboard Interacting and Learning), a sailing voyage from Rock Hall, MD, to the Chesapeake Bay over the course of a week; the Nantahala Creative Leadership Program, a nine-day trip to the Great Smoky Mountains of North Carolina; and the six-day Eastern Shore Canoe/Bike trip to various sites, including St. Michael's, Ocean City, and Assateague National Park.

The costs of these trips range from \$300 to \$725. Call Stan Shedaker at 546-4603 or Agata Liszkowska at 543-6313 for information on the Acadia Cycle trip; Dave Brown at 543-6342 for information on the Algonquin Canoe or Nantahala Creative Leadership trip; Carolyn Bowden at 543-6293 or Jill Stephenson at 543-6357 for information regarding the Chesapeake SAIL; and Stan Shedaker or Gary Grodzicki at 543-6162 for more on the Eastern Shore Canoe/Bike trip.

The Fall 2000 New Student Seminar may prove to be one of the most successful to date, according to Dockins-Gordy. "Once again, we have teamed up with the Student Activities Office and Welcome Week Committee to present some educational sessions in a fun, interactive manner," she said. "We're very excited."

New Student Experience Calendar:

- July 5-6 Introduction for Transfers
- July 19-28 Freshmen and families visit campus
- August 29 Welcome Week

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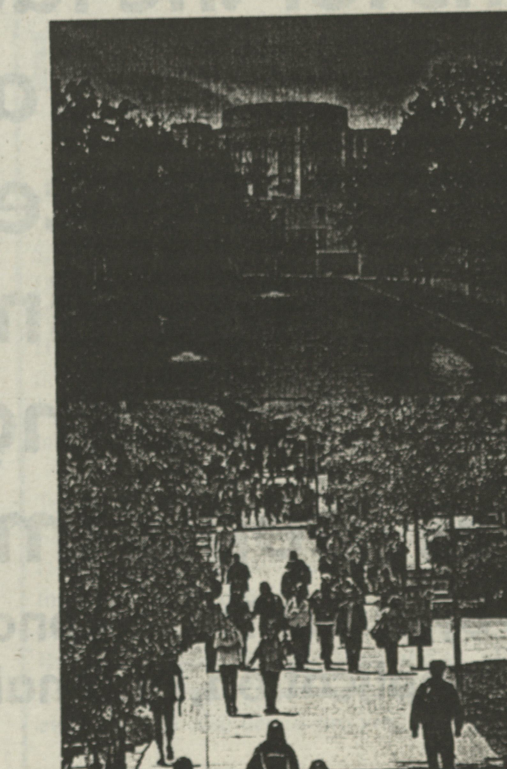
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Breast Cancer Walk

Student to walk 60 miles

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Along with 2000 other women and men, SSU junior Jennifer Swingle plans to walk 60 miles October 13-15 in the *Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day* to promote education and early detection of breast cancer. "I really want to do this," Swingle commented. "I feel really lucky that I have not been faced with breast cancer, but every day you hear about somebody new. I count my blessings, and hopefully, someday they will find a cure." Swingle must raise \$1800 by September to participate in the event.

Breast cancer is the most common cancer among women and all women are at risk. The leading cause of cancer death in women ages 15-54, it accounts for one

in every three diagnoses of cancer in the United States. The incidence and mortality rate of breast cancer increases with age: 76.8% of women diagnosed each year with breast cancer are over the age of 50. In younger women, between the ages of 20-24, the incidence rate is only about one in 100,000. Although less frequently, men can also be victims of breast cancer as well.

Sponsored by Avon products, this fall's breast cancer charity walk and fundraiser starts in the Bear Mountain area of New York and finishes in Manhattan. Beginning in the morning and ending at dusk each day, *Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day* intends to raise money for research and support services, as well as to increase awareness. Supported by 500 volunteers,

participants are provided with a "Mobile City," complete with tents for the night, hot meals, showers, and entertainment.

Since *Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day* was launched in 1993 as part of the Avon Breast Cancer Crusade, more than 500 national programs have been funded by it. Some of the event's past beneficiaries include the Herbert Irving Comprehensive Cancer Center, Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center, and Cancer Care, Inc., which has received a gift of over \$2 million.

In March, the Avon Crusade awarded \$14 million in additional funds to leading national cancer centers and organizations, such as the Winship Cancer Institute of Emory University and Grady

Memorial Hospital (Atlanta); University of Alabama Comprehensive Cancer Center; Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center of Northwestern University (Chicago); The Chao Family Comprehensive Cancer Center at University of California, Irvine Medical Center; and the National Breast Cancer Coalition Fund (Washington, D.C.).

Other scheduled dates for the *Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day* for the year 2000 are June 2-4 in Boston; June 16-18 in Chicago; July 28-30 in San Francisco; September 22-24 in Atlanta; and October 27-29 in Los Angeles. If you have any questions, or would like to participate or make a donation, please call (888) 3DAY-AVON, or visit www.avoncrusade.com.

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Cancer Society donations suffer

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dents' descending spirits and attitudes around 10 p.m. when the crowd learned that the main act, Run DMC, would not be performing due to dangerous weather conditions.

According to WSUR General Manager and Head Concert Coordinator Aaron Talasnik, concert coordinators had been tracking lightning, which was in the immediate vicinity all night. The storm had been held off about 75 miles away when the wind picked up, bringing the storm directly over Salisbury. "We had to pull the show because at that point, it just wasn't safe to have people on the field," Talasnik said.

WSUR Advertising and Promotions Manager Kent Lawlor, who headed the execution of the event, along with Personnel Director Mike Camillo and Talasnik, explained why the decision to cancel was made. "We knew about an hour ahead of time that the storm was coming," he said. "The sound crew was preparing for [the storm] and told us that we may not get to our last band. We kept the concert going as long as possible, while still keeping everyone safe," he continued. "The last thing we wanted to do was stop the show, but we had to consider the safety of all the people there."

Contrary to the rumors circulating throughout the crowd of impatient fans, Run DMC arrived to perform on time, according to Talasnik. The musicians were getting dressed backstage when concert coordinators were forced to announce that the field must be evacuated. "A lot of people didn't understand why we had to make that decision," Lawlor said. "It was one that we did not want to make."

Student reaction to the decision to clear the field was not positive, however, no riots or fights ensued, and there was no significant destruction following the announcement. According to Lawlor, the extent of insubordination was limited to "people [who] jumped on stage throwing things." Although Run DMC did not perform, WSUR was still required to pay the band their full contracted price.

Some WSUR members said they felt that the complaints of SSU students, who paid nothing to get into the concert gates, were undeserving when one considers that they could not make as large a contribution to the concert's beneficiary, the American Cancer Society. "The Cancer Society [will suffer the most], because we thought we were going to make a significant contribution, but it will be miniscule now," said Talasnik.

The lack of student donations, the

surplus of unsold T-shirts that station members contributed their own money to buy, and the unexpectedly few number of paying attendants, also contributed to a reduced amount of funds for the Cancer Society. "The gate was not as big as we expected," said Talasnik. "We thought we'd have over 1,000 non-SSU students come."

"I feel bad because we got a lot of people's hopes up that we were going to donate a lot of money to the Cancer Society; now it looks like we're just not," Talasnik continued. "It's disappointing for us because of that aspect. The most [disappointing] thing is that we didn't get to give money to a charity that we really thought was worthwhile."

Although the concert was not everything that WSUR managers, the American Cancer Society, or SSU students and their visitors expected, there was a significant amount of positive feedback from concert-goers. "I had a great time, and I think the rain made it more awesome," commented Gina Giordano of Bel Air, MD. "It was a time I will never forget."

The enthusiasm of students was notably appropriate for such a huge event as well. "I've been [performing scratch music] for almost 10 years, and this is the first place where someone has asked for my autograph," said JS-One, Rahzel's DJ,

who previously toured with Run DMC.

Event volunteers recruited by WSUR and SOAP also did not let the abrupt ending ruin their day. "I had an excellent time," commented Erin Meyer. "I worked in the afternoon, and then I got to watch Rahzel at night time."

On Sunday, the men's lacrosse game was watched by about 1100 spectators, a number that sharply contrasted with the mere handful of volunteers on the other side of Wayne St., who were cleaning up the remnants of Saturday's show that had been enjoyed by approximately 800 fans.

The workers toiled most of the day after the concert to tear down a stage that took three days to build, pick-up trash, and pack-up the sound equipment. "It seems like it's all for nothing, but I really don't think that it is," said Talasnik. "We learned a lot, and hopefully, we can do this again next year. If the storm would have held off for 45 minutes, we would have been the biggest thing to hit this campus."

Even after such an upset, Talasnik continues to be optimistic. "It was a great show; we really ran it well, but our main act didn't get to go on stage, and that really hurts," he said. "It's frustrating for all of us."

Upcoming events...
Last day of classes - Today
Finals - May 18-24
Graduation - May 27

SSU alum awarded Delmarva history prize

Press Release

Office of Public Relations

Robert Holmlund, a graduate of SSU, is this year's winner of the \$500 Delmarva History Prize from the Edward H. Nabb Research Center for Delmarva History and Culture. Holmlund received the award for his research on the colonial boundary disputes between Maryland and Virginia.

His paper, "The Borderlands: Territorial Politics on the Lower Eastern Shore of Maryland During the Seventeenth Century," follows the dispute from the granting and revoking of charters by England's King James I to Lord Baltimore's quest to settle Maryland's border with Virginia's persecuted Quakers. The work also details the Virginian

Colonel Scarborough's tax raids on Annessex and Manokin inhabitants.

Holmlund developed his paper for SSU history professor Dean Fafoutis' pro-seminar class at the Nabb Center by poring over primary sources during the spring of 1999. Holmlund has a dual degree in history and anthropology, and is presently pursuing his Masters of Education.

Every year, the Nabb Research Center accepts nominations for outstanding historical research focusing on the Delmarva Peninsula. The winner is awarded a \$500 prize from the W.F. Donner Foundation in honor of the late Wilcomb E. Washburn, a distinguished historian of the Smithsonian Institution and resident of Somerset County.

ΣAE inactive during investigation

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Mulligan's provided its own security, as well as kegs of beer. He said that Mulligan's did an "excellent job" running the event.

According to Jim Phillips, Director of Public Safety, an officer was present at the dining hall on the evening of Paddy Murphy because students had started food fights after returning from the event in the past. "We were there to prevent any problems, thinking that the sight of a University Police Officer would have a calming effect, but it didn't," he explained. "It was decided to close the dining hall. So, we actually pulled the fire alarm to evacuate the building." Phillips said that it was the first time objects had been thrown at officers in this situation.

The majority of students in the

dining hall were not active participants in the incident and had expressed disapproval of the behavior exhibited by their peers, according to Phillips. "There were 25 to 30 students who participated in this ridiculous incident, which was fueled by alcohol consumption," he said. "My feeling of it is that most students were disgusted with the drunks who ruined it for everybody else."

Since the Dining Hall closed abruptly, and much earlier than usual, some students said they paid for meals they did not get to finish, or even eat at all. Others, who count on their meal plans for food, arrived after the Commons had been shut down and had to find alternate sources for dinner that night.

Several of the students interviewed for "Voices: What did you think of

the dining hall incident on Saturday?" in the May 2 issue of *The Flyer* said they were angry that they did not get to eat and felt the situation had not been handled well. "Food services has a responsibility to feed us, regardless of the situation," freshman Ryan McCrone had said. "I was starving and I went to eat, but I couldn't."

The food fight is estimated to have cost the dining hall \$2184 in replacement dishes, cleaning supplies, and additional labor, which was required to clean the Commons after the incident. "The fact that the students were visibly inebriated led to some horseplay - throwing of food, glass wear, and dish wear," Fandray said. "Things just got out of hand." She claims that students had also urinated and vomited on the floors. "It is a miracle that nobody was injured," she commented.

Although students may have gotten out of hand once they returned to campus, police officials reported no incidents during Paddy Murphy. "It looked like a very loud, boisterous party," said Paul Jackson, Fruitland Chief of Police, who was present outside of the event as a precaution. "We didn't hand any citations out. It did not look like it was out of control."

According to Fandray, as a vendor licensed by the Wicomico County Li-

quor License Board, she and other alcohol distributors are responsible for preventing any consumers from reaching the "point of inebriation." For University functions, Fandray said she ensures that no attendees reach this point by restricting the amount of alcohol served per person. As the distributor at Paddy Murphy, Mulligan's, not ΣAE or its members, would have been responsible, according to University officials.

In the future, the University is considering some modifications to prevent similar situations from occurring. Williamson recommends that the fraternity limit participation in Paddy Murphy to people of age, as well as the numbers of overall participants, and the amount of alcohol served. She also suggested that it might be beneficial for Wicomico County "to consider whether events should be permitted where tickets are sold for unlimited alcohol."

As for the annual ΣAE event, "No one has ever said that Paddy Murphy is dead," Grimes commented. "Next year, we will work more closely with campus to avoid any problems. So everyone is prepared for that many students in one place at one time."

Ben Grimes, president of ΣAE, sent the following letter of apology, on behalf of him and his fraternity brothers, to workers that were at the dining hall during the April 29 incident.

Dear Dining Hall Employees,

Unfortunately, no matter how well you plan a function, things can happen that are outside of your realm of control, as was the case on Saturday, April 29, after our Paddy Murphy event. Although many circumstances and a few other events may have led to the problem at the dining hall that evening, the fact remains that you were personally harmed that evening. It is my understanding that a handful of students that evening were abusive towards you and your colleagues. For this, we apologize.

Although I do not believe it was our brothers that harmed you, some of those who did may have been to our event that day. The purpose of our event was to host a good spring social event for the students and alumni of SSU, and more importantly to raise money for the Children's Miracle Network. We did everything within our power to ensure that this was a safe and legal event for all those who attended. Our event was a success with its fundraising, and more importantly, everyone was kept safe.

After the event was over, some of the people in attendance apparently went to the dining hall. Although no one may ever know the identities of those that caused the problems that evening, it is clear that they acted in a childish and inexcusable manner.

The chance that our event may have been one of the catalysts of the trouble that evening was enough to make me want to write this letter to let you know that my brotherhood and I do not,

in any way, condone or endorse the behavior that was displayed. Our event was planned and operated with the best of intentions, and to think that the events took place in the dining hall may have been, in some way, a result of it is unbelievably disappointing.

I would just like to be clear in expressing our remorse for the pain that you personally suffered that evening, and to let you know that those actions in no way represent the feelings of our brotherhood. Many of our brothers have meal plans, and those, like myself, who do not, wish that we could afford to. We often visit other schools and eat in their dining halls, and never once have we experienced one as fine as SSU's.

Although the new building is beautiful, many of us older brothers had just as good of an experience in the old dining hall. This is because, although the food and building have changed, the people keeping us from going hungry always remained the same.

There may be new faces from time to time on the staff, but we have always been treated with the same kindness and friendliness over the years. For this, we thank you and sincerely hope that you will not let the actions of individuals not involved with our organization tarnish your opinion of us.

Sincerely,
Ben Grimes

On behalf of the Brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon

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SGA Review and Preview

Student Government Association (SGA)

As another semester comes to a close, students have several Student Government Association (SGA) accomplishments to celebrate. During the past three months, SGA has taken numerous strides to advance the student voice on campus.

The year's achievements would not have been possible without students. Their input ensured the selection of a new president focused on student interests and on advancing the prominence of SSU. The decision to become Salisbury University was also made with student participation.

The SGA took an active role in the new shared governance structure as well, leading the University in numerous discussions on privatization. Through student initiative, all constituents were able to come together as a community, in an orderly fashion, to communicate rather than levy accusations.

SGA President Christine Pelletier said this year's success in shared governance was only possible with the help of all constituents at SSU. "Student Government has achieved a strong voice for students this semester because of the increased

support that our fellow students, staff, faculty, and administrators have shown us during major discussions like the ones of the presidential search process and the issue of privatization," she commented.

Student supporters passionately advocated on behalf of club sports and their importance on campus. Through the involvement of these concerned students, SGA was able to save sports clubs and strengthen the current system in the process.

In February, over 500 students came to investigate off-campus residence opportunities and local landlords at the SGA's Renter's Fair, making the event a resounding success. "I was pleased with student turnout, but am even more impressed with the number of completed renter's surveys turned into the SGA," said Doug Church, Vice President of External Affairs. "There is still time to turn those [landlord] surveys in before the end of the semester."

The SGA also hosted the largest Earth Day celebration in SSU's history this past April. Though rain placed a damper on the Planning Committee's events, over 300 students attended, helping to raise \$200 for the Jane Goodall Foundation.

Next semester promises to be even better, as SSU welcomes the class of 2004, along with its fresh ideas and enthusiasm. SGA is already soliciting new freshmen for the fall to match the overwhelming upperclass response to the

Mentor Program, newly renamed the Big Gulls Program. "This is the first opportunity that new students have to meet upperclassmen," explained Vice President of Student Affairs Kelly Kolwicz. "This makes it a great way to recruit new members for student organizations."

SGA is also gearing up for a diamond celebration of the University's 75th Anniversary. A bigger, better Homecoming celebration is in the planning stages under the guidance of Speaker of the SGA Senate, Chrissanne Melone. "We are getting a great head start," she commented. "[We] have a fun-filled weekend of events planned, including a bonfire, Bound and Gagged, Gullgating at the game, and a block party. We'll have a great time."

SafeRide has its own vision of the future, as *Project 2000* strives to create a new and improved program to ensure student safety. Under his leadership, Executive Vice President Sean Ofeldt said he hopes to see some major improvements. "SafeRide will continue to take a proactive stance against student drinking and driving, and to keep the community safer," Ofeldt explained. "This means expanded service, in addition to better service overall," he continued. SGA officials said to look for a promotion blitz next fall for more details.

Thanks to the input of a majority of student club and organization presidents, reforms are underway to create a "kinder, simpler RSO process," according to Vice president of Public Relations Joey Hutchinson. "Our goal is to reduce the bureaucracy of the RSO system and ensure



SGA President Christine Pelletier and Executive Vice President Sean Ofeldt

that registered clubs succeed in their endeavors, and that their success is publicized," he said. "Proposed component parts of the plan would increase the prestige of clubs who earn their voting rights, add a community service requirement, and eliminate SGA Forum meetings."

All of these successful events, along with an augmented student voice on SSU's campus, resulted from student involvement. "The SGA will continue to advance student interests," Hutchinson said. "You have a right to expect it." However with that right, he explained, comes the responsibility of all students to increase their campus role by actively seeking opportunities for service, and informing the SGA of their thoughts and concerns.

To guarantee an organization that serves the needs of all students, SGA is asking the following questions and urges students to consider how they would answer them. What do you want in a new RSO policy? How do you want SafeRide to better serve your needs? What makes Homecoming special to you?

Email questions or comments to the SGA at SGA@ssu.edu, or feel free to stop by their office in the Guerrieri University Center.

Main contributions by Joey Hutchinson and Minda Thorward



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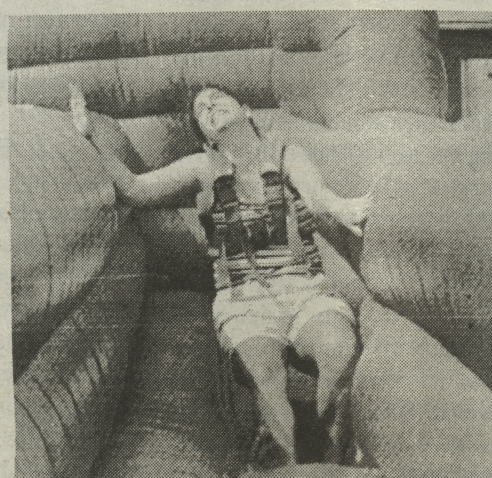


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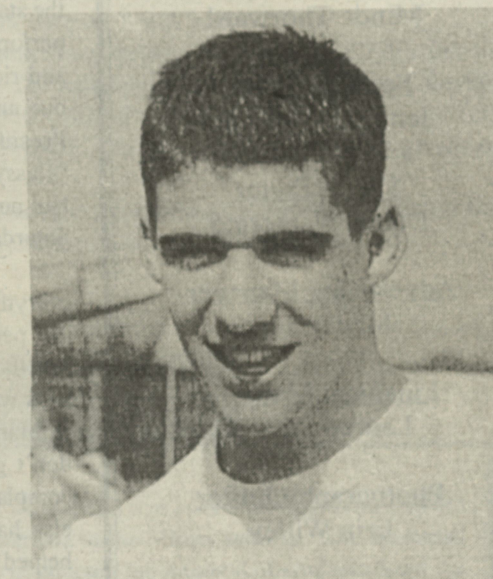
Rahzel



"It's hot out here;
kind of like the har-
monica guy from
Davis Street Band."
- Shannon Monroney
Junior



DIVIDE



"It's great to see the
bands bringing all
these different
sounds to the table."
- Derek Chappell
Sophomore

"A lot of hard work was put into it and I
know everyone will have a great time."
- Kristen Pierce, Tracy Graham, Meghan
Riesner



"It's rocking!"
- Jessica Russo and Aja Rogers



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Editorial

Field Day complaints unjust

It was not only horrifying, but embarrassing and infuriating, to listen to and see the behaviors of several of Field Day 2000's attendees. Complaints and jeers and even students attempting to rush the stage were the result of Run DMC not performing. These actions were immature and ridiculous, not to mention discourteous and ill-mannered. For what Interim President Dr. Joel Jones has termed a "classy" group of students, SSU's "finest" had nothing to boast for their behavior at Saturday's event.

The problem, as is the issue with everything that occurs on this campus, is that people do not think about others before they act. They do not realize all of the hard work that students do and are quick to blame anyone they can when things don't go their way. There should be no complaints about something that someone else has worked so hard for unless you helped as well.

We have witnessed, over the past semester, the tremendous amount of work and stress involved with the organization of Field Day 2000. From changing the name to signing the big-name band, so many unappreciated people put their all into orchestrating a concert just for you.... the students.

And this is how you repay them? We are not saying that every student is to blame. There were plenty of people out there who volunteered to spend the day under the hot, scorching sun helping out, or those who had stuck it out the night before with all the bugs that just kept biting in order to set up the stage, a process that took more than eight hours.

We just do not understand how SSU students can complain and treat their peers with such little respect and concern. Students chanted and cursed, not understanding that the concert was called off for their safety, not just that of Run DMC. Lightning storms can be dangerous and even deadly, especially with electrical equipment and metal scaffolding in an open field.

So, here is what is really difficult to understand... SSU students spent the day

hanging out with friends, listening to great music, while benefiting a good cause, the American Cancer Society. A majority of students did not even spend the entire day; they just showed up to see Rahzel or Run DMC because they are big names. Meanwhile, at the concert, they missed some pretty talented locals, including SSU's very own musicians. And then, they spent the rest of the night complaining. We just don't get it.

An important question that needs to be looked at is exactly how much did each SSU student invest in the event? That answer is simple - nothing. Students with identification entered the doors for free, heard talented singers and bands, including Rahzel and DIVIDE, and got to spend time with peers who they may not see out of the classroom setting. So what? You had to get frisked at the door... big deal. SSU students and even those out-of-towners who had to pay just \$5 for an enjoyable evening, did not lose anything when it started to storm.

But you know who did lose out... The people from WSUR and SOAP and everyone who helped out at the event, which was so successful until Mother Nature dumped a storm on us, and the students who felt the need to blame others for the weather.

...All those who feel like they let the rest of us down, even though there was nothing they could possibly do.

...Everyone who put so much on the line for this concert, legally, professionally, and with the student body.

...Those who would never imagine their peers would react the way that they did.

On second thought, the student body did lose out...

They lost the respect of a lot of people this past weekend. They lost sight of the main goal of the concert, which was to raise money for a worthy cause. They lost the ability to appreciate all of the hard work that went into the concert. And worst of all, they blamed people who only deserved our recognition for a job well done and our gratitude for all of their effort.

What it all comes down to is this...

yes, it was disappointing that we could not watch Run DMC perform because of the thunderstorm, but no, there is no one to blame except Mother Nature. In fact, anyone involved with the show deserves a "thank you" from the SSU community and perhaps an apology for the outrageous and ridiculous behavior exhibited at the event.

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Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

I'm not writing in response to anything The Flyer has said or written about, but rather what the campus community has done. Another great weekend at Salisbury...ruined.

It wasn't ruined because the skies opened up on the crowd just as Run DMC was making their way to the stage, or even the fact that SSU students, like myself, found a way to ruin what was an overall okay day. Up until the rain.

However, the reason why this weekend was ruined was because there are a list of people who busted their tails to make this show a reality, only to have it go for nothing.

In actuality, the people that lose out the most from the show aren't the students, SOAP, WSUR or anyone who affiliated with Salisbury State University, but the American Cancer Society who will get the proceeds from Field Day 2000, which seems to get lost in the storm.

Right about 9:30 I was supposed to introduce Run DMC to the students because I brought them here, I signed them, that doesn't really matter. There was a list of people that I was going to thank for making the show a success. So I think I'll do it now because I'll never get that shot again:

To the stage crew who worked for over eight hours building the stage, I thank you.

To the bands who put on a phenomenal show.

To the WSUR management and staff for letting me attempt to have a huge concert and supporting me in my goal.

Most importantly, a special thank you, to two guys who dedicated their entire lives to this show: Kent Lawlor and Mike Camillo.

Without these two guys, this show would have never even been a possibility and for as many times as I called it "my concert," I never meant it. I really knew it was for WSUR, but most importantly the future of the station.

Kent, you need to start going to classes again and take Hector too. Thank you for the laughs and the hard work and dedication you poured into this concert. I'm sorry I let you down.

Camillo, I want to thank you for keeping me to task and being my right-hand man. Everyone knows that I was the WSUR figurehead, but you do what it takes to get it done. You will be a great GM next year and good luck after this fiasco.

In conclusion, when the hangovers wear off, I hope that the students of SSU that attended the concert will appreciate the work of these people. I know I will never forget it.

Aaron Talasnik
WSUR General Manager

Farewell and good job...

In my second year as Editor in Chief, it has come to that time of year when I have to say good-bye to some amazing staff members, hard workers, and friends. This year, I lose several members of my staff to graduation and busy schedules. Included are: Megan Joy, Kimberly Moore, Teresa Piekarski, Katie Pritchard, Lauren Sostrin, Minda Thorward, and Stacey Volanto.

At this time, I would like to thank everyone on my staff (I call it "my" as if I own them - I know some of them think I do.) We had a phenomenal year, and I have received several compliments as to the paper's progress. I know, for a fact, that all of these improvements can be attributed to the students who work so hard every week to produce a newspaper, donating time most cannot afford and providing the SSU community with accurate news. Although not always recognized for their efforts, I would like to point out all of their accomplishments and thank them for everything this year. To my editorial staff especially, you all helped me keep my sanity when I thought it was gone forever. Thank you.

I would also like to thank everyone who has helped The Flyer this year, including Dr. Haven Simmons, Dr. Joel Jones, Dr. Carol Williamson, the SGA, everyone in the Office of Student Organizations and Activities, faculty, staff (especially the Guerrieri Housekeeping Staff who are so pleasant and don't get too mad at us for making such messes!)

To all the graduating seniors, congratulations and good luck. To the rest of you, we will see you in the fall - have a happy and safe summer.

Jen Abbatiello
Editor in Chief

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

In the May 2nd issue of the paper, I was extremely aggravated by the statements made by Tamour Songowa in the Voices section. The freshman said that the way the Commons conducted the removal of students from the cafeteria on April 29 was "very racially biased. If there had been minorities throwing food, they would've gotten kicked out." What is this guy talking about? There is absolutely no evidence that the Commons acted in a racial manner in this very stressful moment for them. I was one of the students at the cafeteria at the time and I did see minorities throwing food and those students were kicked out of the building just like the whites.

Is this an attempt to appeal to the NAACP and other minority organizations on campus, which gave you a hard time last year? This is a very shallow reason because this cause prevents you from reporting good, truthful statements about life at SSU. Or is this a ploy to show how ignorant this student really is? Songowa's opinion is so naive and far from the truth that I ask why a person with a background of higher learning would think that this was something worth printing. If I worked at the Commons, I would be hurt by the release of Songowa's statement and without hesitation say that The Flyer committed slander. I only ask that an apology be mentioned in the next issue of the paper.

Che Guevara

Editor's note: The student's opinion abovementioned was not included in The Flyer for any other reason than freedom of speech. These were the words and opinions of one of SSU's students, and we, as an editorial staff, felt that we were not the ones to judge whether or not the student's statements were inaccurate or unimportant. If anyone was harmed by this, we apologize; however, the words were not ours nor were they on our Opinions page, so therefore, it had nothing to do with the view of our staff.

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Commentary

Media Bias: A matter of perspective

Minda Thorward
News Editor

Critics of the media, particularly those of print journalism, often decry it as being biased or using a slant that does not portray issues objectively. They fear that the public no longer makes decisions concerning political and social affairs based on factual information, but rather by only considering what they read in this morning's paper or saw on last night's news.

These same critics claim that the American people assume information presented to them by the media to be true, though it may or may not be, and use it to make all kinds of decisions. People look to the media to determine who to vote for, whether to support or oppose U.S. foreign policy, which medical procedures to avoid, and if certain recreational drugs are really as dangerous as the government claims them to be.

Although it is nearly impossible to be totally objective, whether readers believe the media to be biased against their side depends primarily on which side of the fence they happen to be standing.

Both political parties have maintained at one point or another that the media has been inclined towards partisan bias, while certain staunch Republicans have even gone as far as to accuse it of being a form of liberal propaganda. A study published in the Dec. 1999 issue of *Social Sciences Quarterly*, "Partisan Bias in the Media? A New Test," cited several examples of such instances, such as George Bush's favorite bumper sticker, "Annoy the media, re-elect George Bush."

The media bias experiment, conducted by political science professor David Niven at the University of Florida, also refers to Republican presidential nominee Robert Dole's repeated claim that the Watergate scandal involving former President Richard Nixon was merely the product of leftist media propaganda.

Other accusations of the print media include the sensationalizing of the dangers of breast implants, despite any recent conclusive evidence of their safety. Julie L. Andsager and Angela Powers, of Washington State and Northern Illinois Universities, respectively, published "How

Newspapers Framed Breast Implants in the 1990s," an analysis of media coverage on the issue. The article, in the Autumn 1999 issue of *Journalism and Mass Communication Quarterly*, examined whether or not women received "a fair and balanced account" of silicon implant dangers.

One of the studies that Andsager and Powers reviewed in their research of health stories found that "[some] newspapers omitted important information, sensationalized results, and quoted medical reports out of context, creating inaccurate hopes and fears and potentially causing serious health problems."

Despite the accusations that these articles make, the truth is that how biased the media appears to be often depends on where the reader stands on whatever issue is being covered. In fact, both of the articles previously mentioned came to the conclusion that the media, and therefore its coverage, most often ends up being somewhere in the middle.

The "Just cause it's green doesn't mean it's good for you" article on marijuana in the April 25 issue of *The Flyer* was heavily criticized as being biased by certain segments of SSU's student population. A couple of irate letters informed *The Flyer* staff of the health benefits of smoking marijuana, and one even admonished the newspaper for printing "Barry McCaffrey drug war propaganda." The author of the letter seemed to be under the impression that *The Flyer's* editor, Jen Abbatiello, who wrote the article, is attempting to wage a one-woman war against marijuana.

What the writer of that angry letter failed to realize is that, as an undergraduate student, Abbatiello did not claim to be an expert, but was relying on sources she trusted from Student Health Services and from SSU's Health and Wellness Coordinator. Her personal opinion is inconsequential. The fact is that marijuana is an illegal drug. Period. No matter what students happen to choose as their recreational activities, they cannot deny that inhaling smoke of any kind and ingesting any type of drug, and even some plants, can be a health hazard.

People that claim, as in some of

the responses *The Flyer* received, that smoking marijuana improves, or least does not harm, one's health and that it has no effect on the brain, must have been smoking oregano. Anyone that has smoked marijuana for any length of time can attest that it most certainly does affect memory and the ability to reason clearly.

It may be true that the media is sometimes biased or that marijuana was portrayed by *The Flyer* as more harmful than some students believe it to be, although a certain amount of damage to the lungs and brain cells is unavoidable. But in all likelihood, how readers viewed these articles is entirely a matter of perspective.

Niven's study on partisan bias in the media reported that journalism is a pursuit "suffused with moderatism." Even if reporters' personal prejudices are reflected in their articles, "the process of selecting and editing stories...tends to cleanse the final product of any minor traces of political bias" and that overall, Democrats and Republicans are treated "quite similarly" by the press. Furthermore, he found that coverage of Republicans was thought by Democrats to be biased, as well as the reverse. Several subjects affiliated with either party often felt that the same article was biased against them.

"How Newspapers Framed Breast Implants in the 1990s" also referred to several occasions in which reporters were said to have mostly used implant manufacturing personnel and public relations officers as sources. So, if some of the coverage reported from the perspective of the women who received the implants and some of the coverage gave the manufacturers' sides of the story, then it is probably safe to say that overall coverage of the controversy was probably pretty fair.

As for the article on cannabis, an everyday user that somehow manages to still stay motivated enough to get decent grades may have seen the piece as misinformation at best, propaganda at worst. How biased a particular student believed the article to be depended primarily on how badly they want to justify their position as an advocate of marijuana.

For some people, marijuana is a gateway drug. Others may smoke for years

and never even touch another controlled substance. Certain individuals can even become "addicted," needing to maintain a "functional high" to feel normal. Some students may have a friend that just can't seem to relax during "dry" spells. It just depends on the individual's personality, and how easily they become addicted, whether it is to food or sex or drugs.

"Just cause it's green doesn't mean it's good for you" never claimed that marijuana was as dangerous as hardcore drugs, like heroin and cocaine, or that it was any worse than alcohol or that it had no medical uses. These accusations, which were levied in the previously mentioned letters, were completely unfounded. Pointing out that marijuana is not an entirely harmless green plant does not condemn pot smokers or serve as an expression of staff opinion on de-criminalization, legalization, or even resination.

What all this basically means is that while bias does undeniably exist in the media, it is really not as bad as it seems to be. Any given article will always appear more biased to those opposed to whatever issue is being covered, regardless of how objective the reporter has tried to be. As influential as the press can be, it does its best to remain as neutral as possible. No one realizes how hard that is and how much work it takes until he or she tries being a journalist.

In truth, every journalist knows that the articles she or he prints have the potential to greatly influence readers. In fact, that is the end result towards which every talented journalist strives. However, ethical journalists are acutely aware of the power of their pens and do their best to leave their personal prejudices, beliefs, and opinions on the opinion page and in editorials.

With the exception of those who work for the tabloids, most journalists are more interested in presenting both sides of an issue accurately and fairly. It's a matter of respect. Liars and rumor-mongers who become journalists have trouble finding and keeping jobs. Their reputation precedes them and in the world of journalism, it is the only thing that really matters. After all, real life is better than fiction anyway.

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Student bands rock on!

Paige Elliott
Staff Writer

The summer concert season is just on the horizon. Jimmy Buffett, Baltimore Radio Station's HFS Festival, and Metallica are just a few of the big concerts in Maryland this summer. This past weekend, SSU students got the opportunity to see Rahzel, as well as several local bands. The talent in the Salisbury area has grown each year and the bands gain a larger student following with each performance.

SSU student fans may not have background knowledge on some of their favorite "garage" bands, but some of them have come a long way from their beginnings.

Three Track Mind has been together for about a year and a half now. All of the members were previously in a band named Release. When the boys formed Three Track Mind, they also developed a new sound. The members of the band are Gavin St. Ours, who plays guitar and vocals; Matt Kraft, a bass guitarist and back-up vocals; and Josh Goodyear, a drummer. Three Track Mind mainly plays original material with some covers. Most of their covers are crazy altered versions of the original. They have a self-titled CD and are looking to go back into the recording studio this summer. St. Ours said, "We have grown a lot over the past year and have learned to play off of each other." The band has performed at such places as Pickles and SOAP's Battle of the Bands. They are planning to perform in Ocean City and College Park this summer. The type of music the band plays is "the ultimate question; we play a little bit of everything...punk, power pop, alternative. Each song has its own genre," said St. Ours.

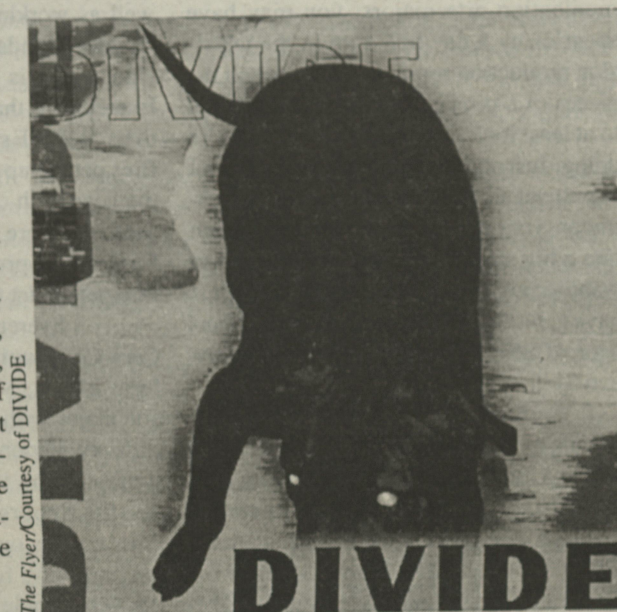
Grey Sky Morning, an acoustic duo named after a Vertical Horizon song, is relatively new to SSU. Christina Gargan and Kimberly Givton met in a class two years ago and began to perform together in September. They play mainly original music, but also have a few covers. Most of their songs fall into the category of folk rock and the original songs are a collaborative effort. The subject of their original songs are political ideas or personal experiences. Although Givton is graduating, the duo plans to continue performing. They have played at WSUR's Fool's Fest and the Gull's Nest Pub, and are currently planning performances in Fredrick, MD. The

girls have an EP entitled 5 Ways from Wednesday, and are planning to release a full length CD. Givton said, "Most of the support we get in the area is from other bands, but we wouldn't be where we are without our mentor, Randy Lee Ashcraft."

A local band with a very large SSU following was most recently seen at Field Day 2000. Divide, which just celebrated its three year anniversary, is a hard rock/rap group. Its members include Jimmy Dow, bassist; Taylor Filasky, Turntable; Jim Tehan, guitar; Jeff Potter, drums; and Lamont Robinson, vocals. Aaron Talasnik, General Manager of WSUR said, "Over the years, Divide has continued to help SSU and WSUR. They promoted themselves as well as other local bands and have helped raise the standard of local music." Members of the band worked tirelessly with other volunteers on Friday to build the stage for Field Day. Their T-shirts, which were

on sale Saturday, were an extremely popular item for concert-goers.

Divide has played at the Monkey Barrell, at bars in Fredrick and at the old Crossroads. All but one of their songs are original and are about self-empowerment, racism and being open-minded. Unfortunately, Jimmy Dow commented, "Speaking on behalf of the band, Field Day might have been our last performance and we would like to thank our SSU supporters. It's been a great three years."



Make finals a breeze

Marcie Judges
Staff Writer

It's that time of year again...

All you want to do is head down to the beach and bask in the sun all day long. Instead, you are stuck in your tiny dorm room all day studying for finals. Don't stress! There are ways to successfully prepare for finals with minimum anxiety, so that after exams are finally over, you can go straight to the beach to celebrate.

A good way to prepare for finals is to follow these three easy steps: prioritize, create a planner, and make study guides. First, decide which classes require the majority of your focus, and how much time you are going to allot for each final. Then, make a planner of the notes you need and use study guides. If the professor does not give you a study guide, make one yourself by predicting

what kinds of questions may be on the exam.

"The worst thing to do is to cram. Don't take everything on at once. Take breaks every day from studying. Go running, exercise or even go to the beach; whatever you do that relieves stress," advised Academic Success Counselor Robert Crawley.

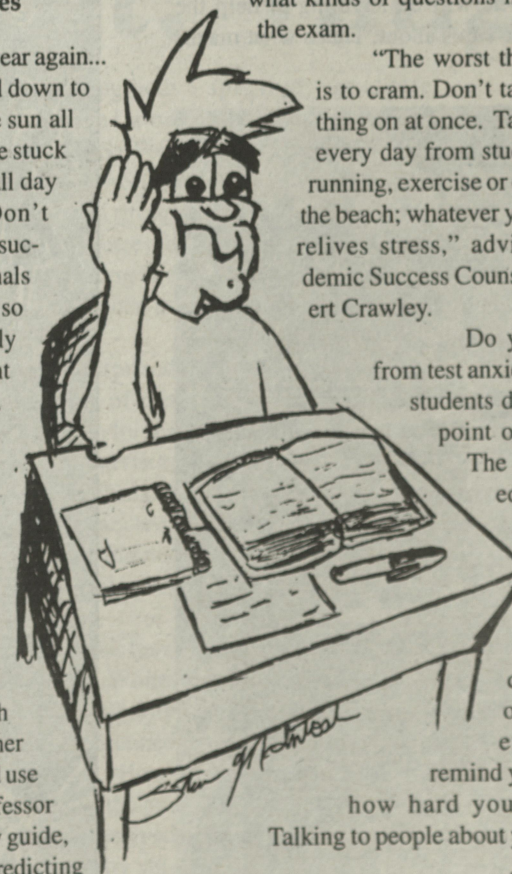
Do you suffer from test anxiety? Most students do at some point or another. The best remedy for this is a nice, deep breath. Focus on each question on the exam and remind yourself of how hard you studied. Talking to people about your stress

is another good way to deal with it. Not only does socializing release tension, but talking about stress can help you determine where it comes from.

When the stress from studying gets to you, exercise is always a healthy outlet. "When I am stressed during finals, I like to take long jogs to get my mind off of all the studying and preparation I have left to do," commented freshman Emily Morin.

SSU students also take advantage of nearby Ocean City or pick up volleyball games on the courts behind Choptank Hall. Taking your notes and books outside or down to the beach with you is another good way to change the scenery while still getting some work done.

If you are interested in specific study strategies, contact Crawley at x36860 or stop by his office 263 in Guerrieri University Center throughout finals week. So, don't fret over those finals! Remember to take breaks, and they will be finished before you can even say, "I hate finals!" (If you haven't said that already!)



Student Spotlight

Craig Everett

Stacey Volanto
Copy Editor

For those of you who are communication arts majors, you may have spent many a day holed up in the television production room, trying to put all the pieces of a project together in an attempt to at least look like you know what you're doing. Just at the point when you're about to pull out all your hair and scream in frustration, your savior arrives looking so much like a big stuffed teddy bear that you just want to hug him. That savior would just have to be Craig Everett, the General Manager of SSU television and video editor extraordinaire.

Everett, better known to his friends as Barkley, the General Manager, is also a monitor for the editing room and has helped many stressed students create fabulous video packages. Everett's job as General Manager entails a wide variety of responsibilities, which include running the daily operations of the studio, organizing the programming for campus television, and helping students sharpen their editing skills. He has also set in motion broadcasting for basketball and lacrosse games, taking time from his busy schedule for a little play-by-play. In fact, it's fairly hard to get a hold of this guy, but it is pretty certain you can find him in the editing room, helping some poor student out of some kind of technical predicament.

Outside of school, Everett enjoys participating in intramural activities, such as floor hockey, basketball and softball, as well as working out at the gym. Everett devotes Monday nights to his own television, as he is a die-hard wrestling fan. Everett said that, one day, he would love to be "a WWF star: a manger-type guy who fires people up and gets to hit people over the head with chairs." Everett also loves football; more specifically, he loves the Eagles and proclaims himself to be an Internet addict through fantasy football.

Everett is a transfer student from Cecil Community College and is originally from Elkton, MD. As a communication arts major with a concentration in television production, Everett sees himself as continuing on to be a rich, famous, successful Superstar. Seriously though, Everett plans on making a career in writing or editing for television and has just the right people skills for the job. Everett says that what he loves most about his job on campus is that he gets to meet new people and he hopes to continue meeting new people in his future career.

Besides his education, the things that are most important to Everett are his friends and family. Anybody who has ever met him knows that he has the biggest heart and that he will do anything to help the people he cares about. That's what makes

him so adept at his job in the studio. He is willing to help everyone so that they can become as good as he is at editing.

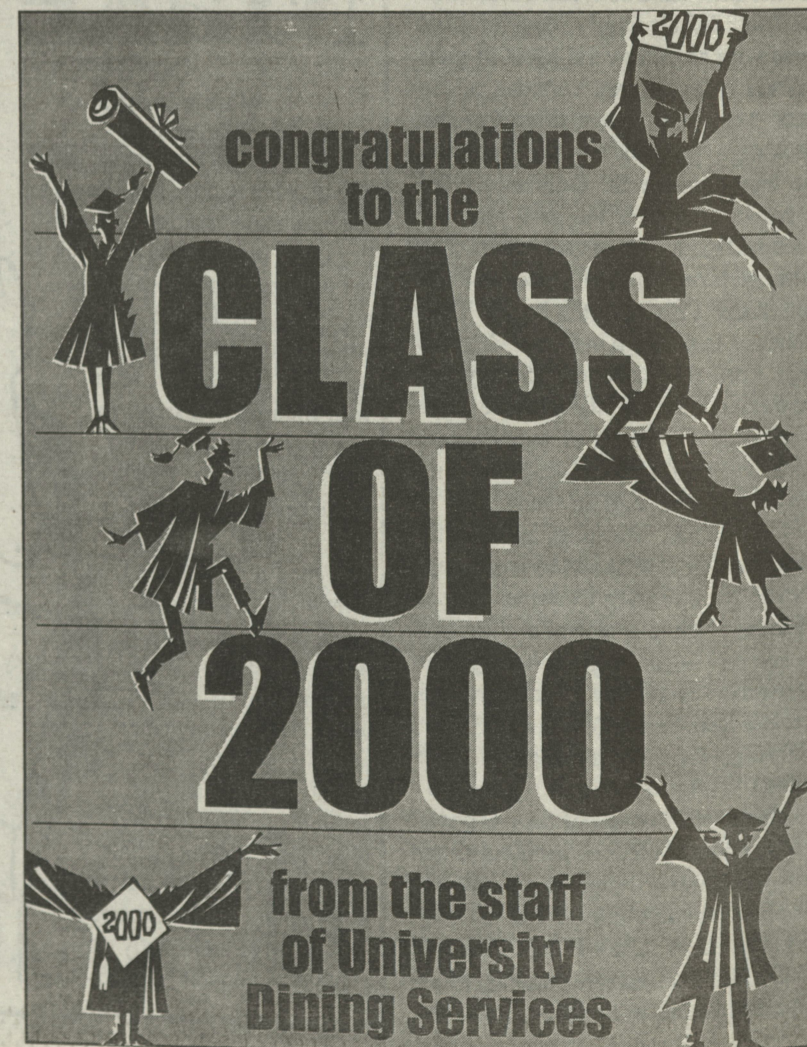
Lauren Jaeger, a communication arts student, was very vocal about her appreciation of Everett's assistance in the creation of some of her packages for classes. "If it wasn't for Craig," she said, "I would have no T.V. Production skills. Craig is the man behind the Oz curtain."

Another student who works with Everett, Mike Ruderman, said "I can't wait to take his job next year!" Although Craig is approaching the end of his career here at SSU, he still has a few things he'd like to accomplish. He is organizing the Video Festival and an MTV-style show on the special events of Field Day 2000.

Last year, Everett won three awards at the SSU Video Festival, which showcased the talents of some of the students at Salisbury. He was honored with the Merit Award for the categories of Music Video and Commercial, which both were very entertaining, and the Award for Excellence as Producer of his comedy show, "On the Edge." At this year's Cel-

ebration of University Leadership Awards show, which honored the many students who make life at SSU all the more enjoyable and productive through their support and direction, Everett received the Award for Outstanding Student Organization President for his work with the television studio. Everett said he was "flat out stunned and overjoyed that I won," but most importantly, "I enjoyed giving back to the students. I never mind helping people."

As for what happens after graduation, Everett plans to take some time for himself after four years of working at the mercy of his schedule. He will return home for a while and work somewhere for the summer before starting to travel in the fall and taking time to clear his mind from the daily grind of college life. Perhaps one day, we'll see a movie or documentary of his travels in the real world and remember when he was the genius behind many an SSU television production. Thanks for all your help and selfless efforts, Craig. Good luck in your future!



Student Spotlight

Brandi Mahone

Liz Wood
Staff Writer

"I am a silly person," said senior Brandi Mahone. However, when it comes to business, she gets things done. As president of the Union of African American Students (UAS) at SSU, Mahone has ensured the success and eventfulness of the organization this year. In addition to overseeing bi-weekly meetings, lectures, and socials, she has led the group to receive the Celebration of University Leadership Award for Community Service.

"Brandi is the type of person, as a president, not to just delegate and oversee roles in the group," said friend Natasha Byrd. "She is willing to work with everyone in the group, as if we all have equal positions."

Mahone and other UAS group members have worked hard for this honor. While the beneficiaries of their services vary, most volunteer activities are aimed towards supporting the Fruitland Youth Center. Recently, UAS raised funds for the Center by selling roses and holding a fashion show.

Mahone and other group members have also put in long hours at the Cen-



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ter serving as youth mentors. Twice a week, they tutor children with their schoolwork and try to resolve any personal issues the kids might have. The children, ages 10-13, view Mahone and other stu-

dents as role models. "It's been a good experience," she said.

As a leader in UAS, Mahone has also had the opportunity to attend the National Black Student Leadership Conference in Richmond, VA. "It was motivational and educational at the same time," she remarked. At the conference, she was able to meet other student leaders and attend workshops covering various topics.

Mahone is hoping that her involvement with UAS will help to increase minority populations on campus. She feels that lack of diversity is "definitely" a major issue at SSU. "We need to get more people concerned about it," she said. She finds it aggravating that people on campus cannot distinguish between her group, UAS, and NAACP.

Other than the fact that both groups attract mainly African-American members, they have few similarities. UAS is a more social organization, while NAACP is geared

more towards politics. "They deal with issues while we deal with the entertainment," explained Mahone.

It is also a common misperception that UAS and NAACP are open to black students only. What Mahone wishes for students to understand is that both organizations welcome all students, regardless of race.

In further efforts to increase diversity awareness, Mahone has served as a member of the President's Diversity Task Force. The Force voices concerns and devises ways to increase diversity at SSU. So far, Mahone said, Salisbury has been supportive towards issues addressed by the committee.

For her success in heading her organization, fellow UAS members recognized Mahone for outstanding leadership at the group's Senior Banquet. Since she is graduating in May, she is depending on other students to carry out her legacy of service and entertainment. She also hopes that SSU will continue to build concern for diversity. She would love to see the school's 11 percent minority population grow within the next few years.

Staff Spotlight: Vaughn White

Amy Forbes
Staff Writer

The spectacular display of colorful costumes, joyous dancing and beating drums paraded about Red Square last week during the wildly successful Multicultural Festival still lingers in our minds. Like the jubilant elementary school children on-hand to enjoy the day, many at SSU were exposed to new and different cultures as musicians and dancers showcased their talents, honoring their various cultures' rituals and traditions.

As Director of Multiethnic Student Services at SSU, Vaughn White said, "I knew I wanted to work with young people in student service areas," said White, "Especially during this crucial stage of their development. I really enjoy their vibrance and their willingness to learn and try new things."

"Mr. White is always open for suggestions and questions," stated student Natasha Byrd. "He has an open-door policy and is always willing to talk about individual concerns or issues concerning the organizations he sponsors."

White stimulates further opportu-

nity to counsel students by advising both the SSU chapter of NAACP and the Union of African-American Students (UAS). Formerly the Black Student Union, UAS has served as a vocal forum and social group for African-Americans on campus since the early 70's, specifically emphasizing the success of students within academics as well as the community.

Recently, White was surprised with an award from the members of this year's UAS members thanking him for his "unconditional commitment as advisor, mentor, constant supporter and friend." Although the award was unexpected, White was touched, and agrees he did not have to go far to find a job he feels passionately about.

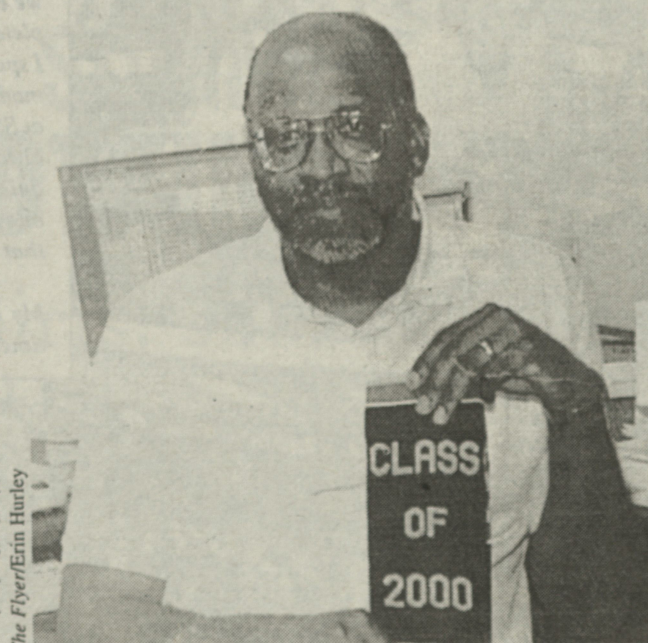
"[UAS] has kept the campus honest as it looks at minorities," said White. White's honest assessment of the minority population on campus is that it has declined since the 70's for various reasons. However, as White explained, based on the numerous correspondences he has received over the years, many of the minority students that have graduated from SSU have gone on to be very successful at their re-

spective graduate schools as well as their chosen careers.

"It's a tribute to SSU that students have chosen the University," said White. "They were able to reach their potential here."

Many of those same students would attribute some of their success to White, who has helped foster individual and personal growth for 11 years at SSU. White continues to provide appraisals of academic performance for any freshman and this summer, plans to lead a Diversity New Student Orientation trip that visited Colonial Williamsburg and the Holocaust Museum in Washington, DC last year. "It is extremely satisfying to see freshmen grow and develop," said White.

"Not just in the classroom, but outside it as well. Then they leave with leadership abilities, which is nice and really what a University education should be about."



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Looking back on the year...

by Jennifer Anderson
Features Editor

It is funny how sometimes a 75-minute lecture can seem like an eternity when you consider how fast a semester goes by. This may have something to do with the extraordinarily lively campus atmosphere of Salisbury State University. From planned events to intramural sports to tossing frisbees in the quad, I have never experienced so much activity packed into a 15-week time period as I have at SSU.

Few of us will soon forget the great times we had RHA's Spring Olympics events and dances, or the talent we saw displayed at Theatre Department productions or Dance Company showcases. And how many other places besides SSU can we see free movies every weekend and cheer on such high-ranking sports teams?

Any true sentimental would have been touched by the sight of hundreds of people, all ages and races, joined hand-in-hand at the Multicultural Festival. Anyone with a concern for diversity was pleased to learn that SSU's newly-chosen eighth president is a woman, and that the Administration is sincerely concentrating on weaving more racial diversity into the student population in the near future.

As much fun as we all had at WSUR's Field Day or SAE's Paddy Murphy, the bottom line remains that none of the things we experienced this or any semester would be quite as complete as they were because of our friends. I am confident that I speak on behalf of every SSU student when I say that I have made true and lasting friendships since I started my four years at SSU. I think we are all starting to realize why our parents always told us that college is the best time of our lives. We are quickly learning to distinguish between people that we will one day invite to our weddings and baby showers, and people that will be forgotten once our hangovers have worn off.

My only regret is that I didn't stop to savor all of these moments, one at time. Lucky for me, I still have three years left!

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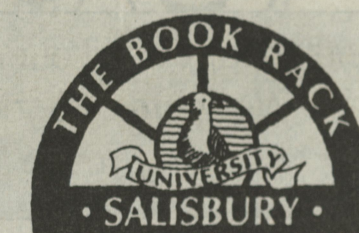
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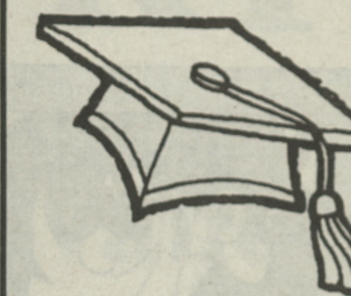
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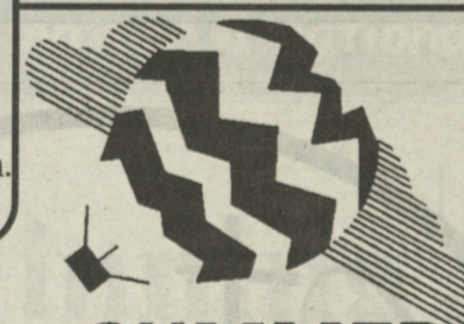
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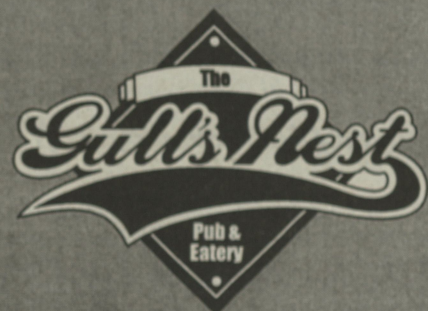
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Women's Lax advance to Final 4

Steve McIntosh
Sports Writer

For the second straight year, the SSU Women's Lacrosse Team appeared in the 16-team NCAA National Tournament. SSU came into the game ranked seventh in the nation by the Brine/IWLCA poll and faced the Big Red of Denison University, winners of the North Coast Athletic Conference. The Gulls seemed to have a tough task ahead of them considering the Big Red had won seven consecutive games. Despite all the buildup, the Seagulls dismantled Denison, winning 26-4 Wednesday.

Denison showed no intimidation early as Big Red attacker Jamie Fox was the first to score in the game, causing the Gulls to have to play catch-up early. This was no problem for SSU, who seemed to take control of the game soon after, practically sealing the game away before half-time.

SSU's first goal came from the usual combo of senior Amanda Moculski setting up junior Jen Mezzadra. With the assist, Moculski became the single season

record holder for the Gulls in assists, breaking her own all-time record in the same category. The rest of the Gulls' offense followed suit, led by the senior combo of Jen Ice and Michele Haynie, who picked up their game after Denison defensively, focused on stopping Mezzadra and Moculski. The two went on a rampage in the first half as Ice scored six goals and Haynie had seven assists along with a goal. In fact, the Gull offense as a whole went on a scoring run as five players in all had multiple points in the first half. These players were Moculski, Mezzadra, Ice, Haynie, and sophomore midfielder Amanda Almon.

The Gulls' defense was able to dominate as effectively as their offensive counterparts. The defense kept the Denison offense at bay, allowing very few shots on goalie Lisa Lebeau. In fact, after the opening goal, the Big Red was only able to muster up two more goals in the first half from junior Amy Hemmelgarn and Fox. Both goals were early though and the Denison offense seemed nonexistent following the 10-minute mark on in the half. The first half ended with SSU holding a dominat-

ing 18-3 lead.

In the second half the Gulls took a slower approach to the game, working on ball control and using the clock. The Denison team, frustrated by the first half, attempted desperately to get back in the game. Despite the slowed down approach, the Gulls were still able to score at any time. This was demonstrated just 25 seconds into the half when Carolyn Murray scored on a pass from Haynie. A few minutes later, Haynie assisted to Moculski, breaking the SSU All-Time Assist mark in a game with nine. She broke the record that had been previously held by Moculski recorded in a game against Catholic last year.

The Gulls' defense did not relax at all despite their huge lead and kept the Big Red attack at bay. Denison was able to score only one goal in the half by sophomore Lea Disston with 21:04 left in the game. SSU added six more goals in the half to give the team a final victory of 26-4.

Update:

Prior to press deadlines, *The Flyer* learned that SSU's women's lacrosse team won 18-15 over Hamilton. Senior Annie Sappington's third goal of the game with 2:42 remaining snapped a 15-15 tie, and Amanda Moculski and Carolyn Murray iced the win with goals in the final 1:44.

**Congratulations and good luck
to all the SSU teams
competing for a national title.**

Gulls rally for 9th inning win

Jared Silberzahn
Sports Writer

The SSU Baseball Team celebrated Senior Day against a tough Rowan team (28-8) by coming from two runs down in the bottom of the ninth to secure a dramatic victory. With the win the Gulls pushed their record to 28-9-1. SSU had just come off of a tough loss to the College of New Jersey the day before in a game that featured four lead changes and a tied game going into the ninth. The Gulls gave up two in the top of the inning and were unable to battle back in the bottom half. The Seagulls faced much the same situation Tuesday afternoon, but were determined not to let it happen again. Realizing what was on the line, the Gulls fought back from a 7-4 deficit in the bottom of the ninth to seal up the win, 8-7. In doing so, the Gulls greatly bolstered their claim to a NCAA tournament appearance which

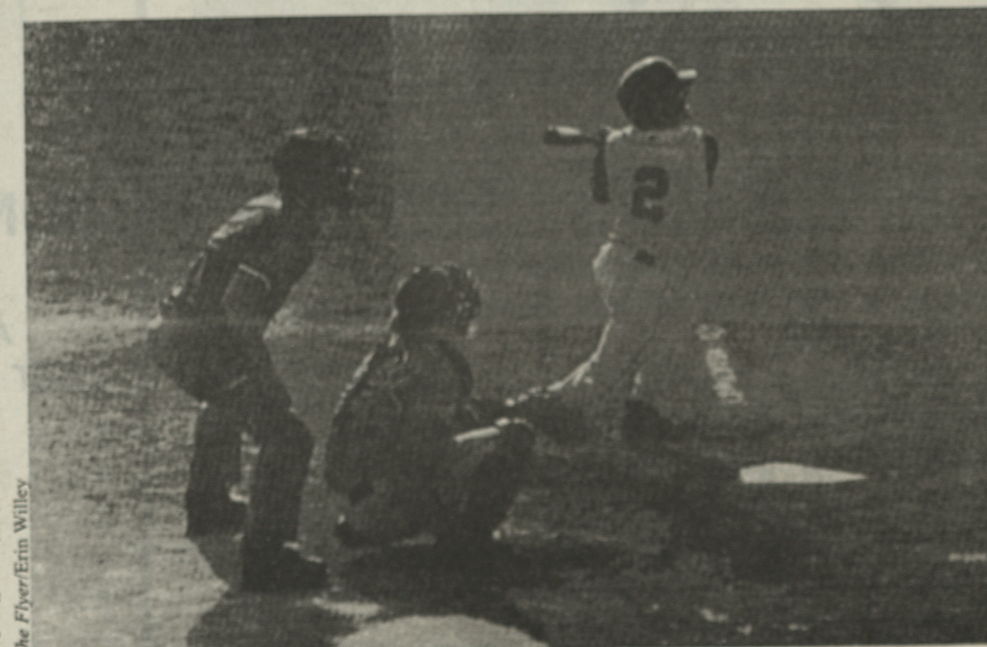
will be officially decided this week.

Before the game, each of the seven seniors were acknowledged for their contribution to the team; Tim Hilyard, Kevin Lindsay, Charles Walter, John Harrison, Dane Shriver, Kevin Coulburn, and Colin Sweitzer.

Junior Chad Swiderski started on the mound for the Gulls and got out of the first inning without a hitch. In the bottom of the first, the Gulls jumped out to a 1-0 lead on senior Tim Hilyard's line drive solo shot over the fence in right-center.

Swiderski had some trouble in the top of the second,

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Following the dramatic ninth inning win over Rowan, the Gulls seem destined to continue.

The Buzz needs you

Press Release

Office of Public Relations

For the second consecutive year, the SSU Men's Ultimate Frisbee Team has qualified for the College Ultimate National Championships to be held in Boise, Idaho May 25-28. The "BUZZ" started its title run two weeks ago when it hosted and won the Colonial Section Championships, defeating the University of Maryland, Delaware, Navy, Johns Hopkins, George Washington and American.

Last weekend, the BUZZ traveled to Princeton University for the Metro East

Regional Championships. SSU captured second place by defeating Haverford 15-5, Bucknell 15-7, and Cornell 15-7. SSU lost to Princeton, 15-12, in the championship game, but came back to defeat Cornell again, 14-12, to qualify for the nationals.

The 16 teams competing include SSU, North Carolina, N.C. State, Carleton, Wisconsin, Michigan, Notre Dame, Princeton, Tufts, Brown, Stanford, UC-Santa Cruz, Rice, Winona State, Colorado, and UC-Santa Barbara.

Ultimate is a fast-paced, highly competitive game combining the skills of

football, soccer, and basketball. The object of the game is to score by catching the disc in the end zone. When the defense intercepts or knocks the disc down, it gains possession and begins its offense. Various offensive and defensive strategies are used, which include zone and man-to-man defense.

The uniqueness of Ultimate is that there are no officials. Fouls and penalties are called by the players involved in the play without outside interference from other players or fans. "Spirit of the Game"

dictates that sportsmanship and fair play are more important than winning.

The SSU men are attempting to raise \$5,000 to offset expenses expected to be around \$10,000. Tax deductible donations can be mailed to the SSU Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 2655, Salisbury, MD 21802, Attention: Michael Jessup. Please specify in the memo section of the check "restricted- Men's Ultimate" or go online at www.ssu.edu/annualfund/ and click on "making a gift." Specify Men's Ultimate at the bottom in the "other" box.

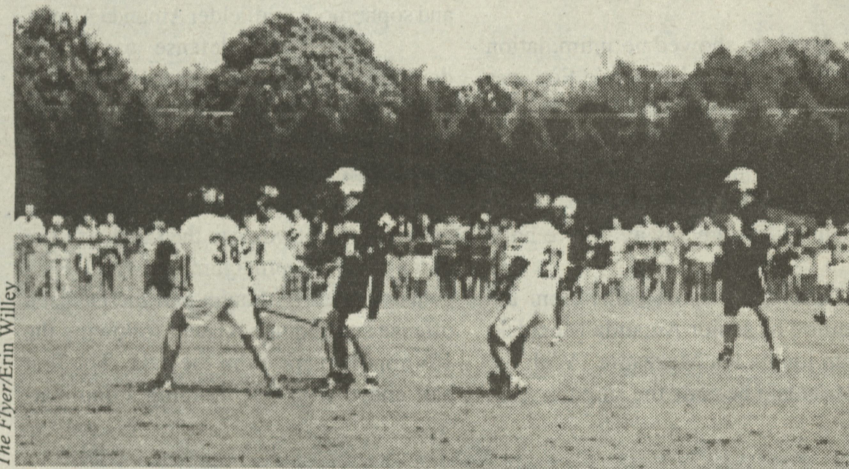
GULL TAKES



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The top-ranked SSU Men's Lacrosse Team opened defense of its national championship with a 21-9 win over Washington College in the Quarterfinal round of the NCAA Tournament.

Senior Joe High paced the Gulls with four goals and two assists, while Kevin Fox added four goals and two assists, and Craig Rhodery scored four goals as well. The Gulls return to the national semifinals for the sixth time in seven years next Sunday when they host Washington and Lee.



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Bordick: Proving his critics wrong

Lenny Mierzwa Sports Writer

The Baltimore Orioles, despite poor relief pitching, currently find themselves in the thick of things in the American League East Division after the first month of the baseball season. This success has come from the Orioles' ability to outslug their opponents. Players, such as Albert Belle, B.J. Surhoff, Will Clarke, Harold Baines, and Cal Ripken, are all expected to put up the big numbers year after year. However, this year these players have not been major score contributors. This season, the Orioles' leader in homeruns, average, RBIs, and runs is...Mike Bordick? Yes, the same Mike Bordick who is a career .260 hitter and was brought to Baltimore strictly for defensive purposes.

This season, Bordick has gotten off to one of the best starts in his career. As of the end of April, he led the Orioles with a .352 batting average, seven homeruns, 29 RBIs, and 18 runs scored. The 29 RBIs was also best in the Major Leagues and an impressive accomplishment for any number nine hitter. If Bordick keeps it up, he is on pace to hit 48 homeruns and knock in 175 runs, an exceptional improvement for a player who averages only 62 runs scored, seven homeruns, 56 RBIs, and a .260 batting average for his 10-year career.

So, where has this offensive at-

tack come from? Bordick has attributed his success to a vigorous offseason workout that has improved him as both a hitter and fielder. He has more strength to drive balls into the gaps for extra-base hits and has become more of a line drive hitter. Bordick is also able to turn on inside fastballs that used to give him problems in the past. From a defensive standpoint, he now has more range and has been turning double plays better than ever.

After two dismal offensive seasons with the Orioles, Bordick began to come around last season. He had, without a doubt, one of the best seasons of his career and this all coming as an Oriole. In 1999, Bordick batted .277, hit 10 homeruns, and knocked in 77 runs. "My career really changed when I came to the Orioles and started working with (hitting coach) Rick Downs," said Bordick. "He got me thinking about opening up the field, not just to bang it up the middle and go to right field. I just began thinking as a hitter, and gradually I developed confidence that I could hit in situations."

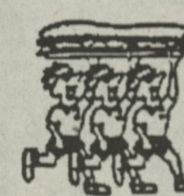
Not only did Bordick have his best offensive season, but he also had a stellar performance as a defensive shortstop. He finished second in the voting for the Gold Glove behind the Cleveland Indians' Omar Vizquel. However, many felt that Bordick deserved the honor after leading all shortstops with 511 assists and averaging 3.39 assists per nine innings, not to mention that he only committed nine errors and had a .989 fielding percentage. It will be hard to deny Bordick of

the award this year if he keeps up his offensive attack and continues to put up the usual high fielding percentage.

The 34-year old Bordick has never forgotten who gave him the opportunity to play in the big leagues. Baseball scout J.P. Ricciardi noticed Bordick in a Cape Cod League game and convinced the

Oakland Athletics' Scouting Director, Dick Bogard, that Bordick was a better player than Ken Bowen, who the Athletics drafted in the seventh round. So, on July 10, 1986, the Athletics signed Bordick to a minor-league contract. However, it was not until

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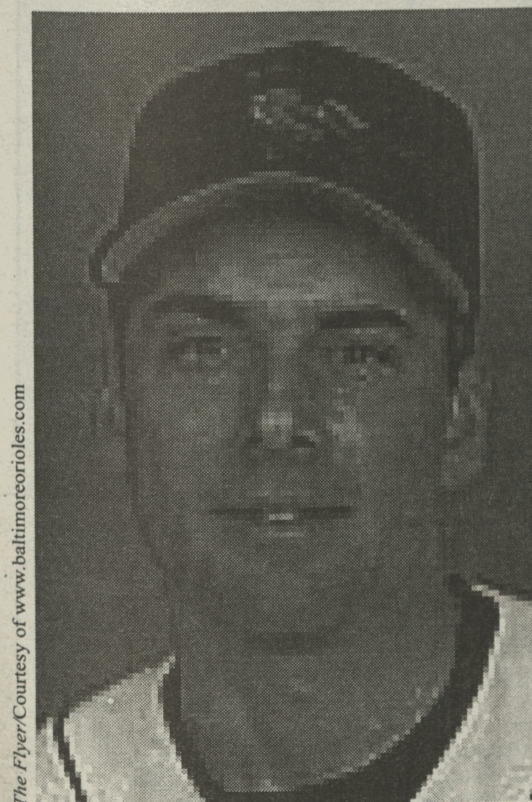
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Senior Day complete with win

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relinquishing the lead after giving a single up the middle and then a two run homerun off the "warehouse" in right field.

The Gulls battled back in the bottom of the inning. Junior outfielder Justin Taylor laid down a perfect bunt down the 3rd baseline. Senior Kevin Lindsay advanced the runner on a base hit to right field. After a controversial call at first made the second out, Brian Loy got back the Salisbury lead with a two RBI base hit over the first baseman's head.

Things were quiet until the top of the sixth when Swiderski hit a batter who later scored on a triple that bounced off the centerfield wall. That runner would also come across the plate on a groundout, making the score 4-3, Rowan. The Rowan Profs added to their lead the following inning after another two run homer to centerfield pushed the score to a 6-3 Rowan advantage.

SSU's junior Bobby Hamel, who would eventually get the win after giving up only a single run, came in to relieve Swiderski in the top of the seventh and quickly retired the side in order.

The Gulls once again clawed

their way back into the game in the bottom half of the inning. After Hilyard walked, outfielder Larry Williams got one of his three hits of the day, putting runners on first and second. Both runners advanced after the pitcher threw the ball away trying to keep Williams on first. With both runners in scoring position, senior catcher Charles Walter hit a shot up the middle, scoring two. Walter also finished with three hits in the game. Later in the inning, the Gulls threatened to take the lead, but left the bases loaded with the Profs leading 6-5.

Hope for the Gulls began when the Profs scored a run following two consecutive doubles. But the Gulls were determined not to let this one slip away. In the bottom half of the inning, Kevin Lindsay led off the inning with a base hit down the right field line. Brian Loy then singled to left field, bringing the winning run up to the plate. Larry Williams came up big with his third hit of the day, this one, a double that brought in a runner to pull the Gulls within one. With two runners in scoring position, Charles Walter knocked a base hit past the first baseman. Loy scored easily to tie the game, but Williams sped

around third, creating a play at the plate. The throw from right field was in time, but Williams was able to slide past the catcher with a hook slide, scoring the winning run and giving Walter the game-winning RBI, one of four on the day.

The Salisbury players rushed out to celebrate their win and their spectacular season. They will all anxiously await news of whether or not they get a chance to continue their success.



Daniel Namorato
Sports Editor

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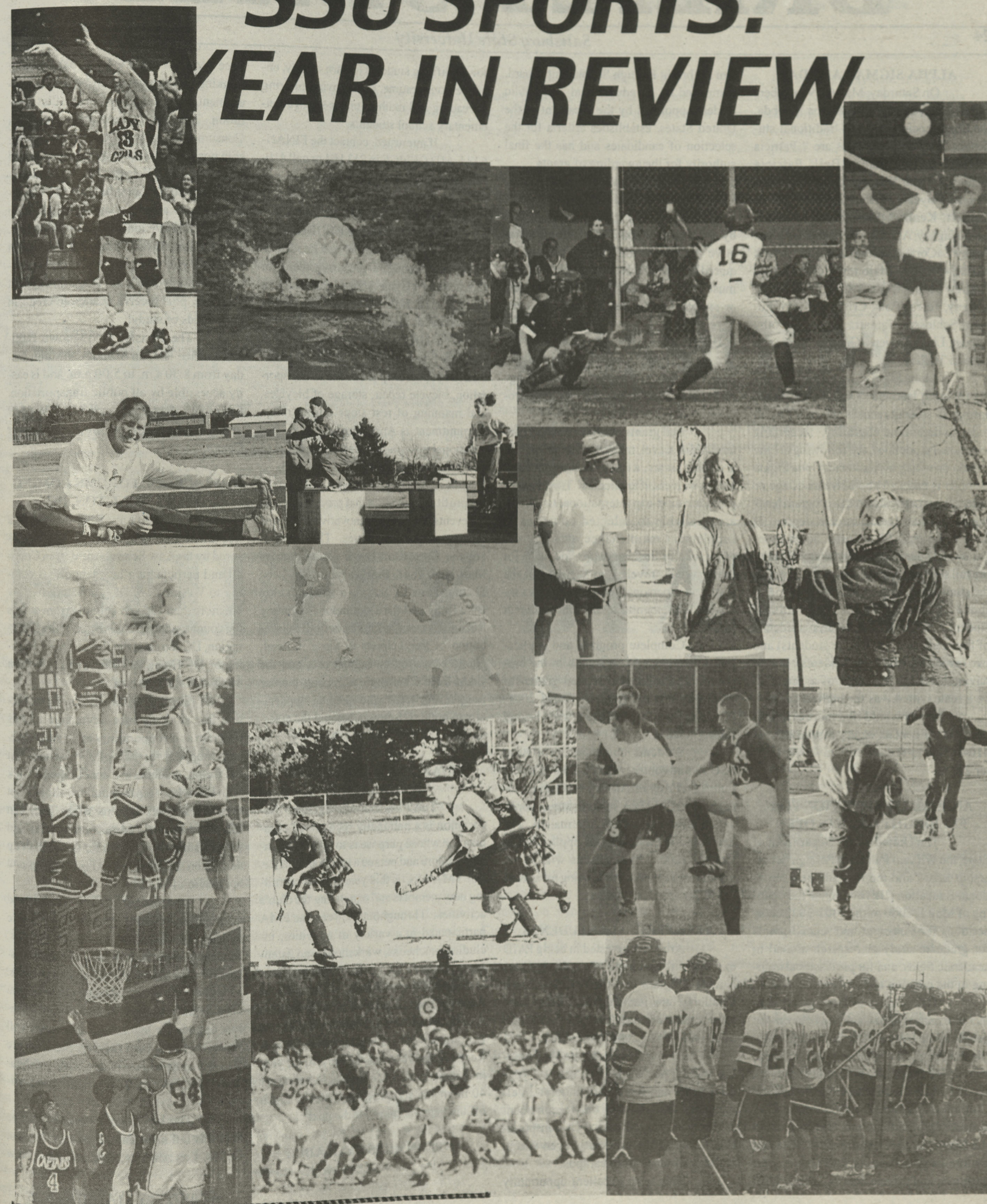
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ALPHA SIGMA LAMBDA

On Saturday, May 6, 29 members were inducted into Alpha Sigma Lambda, the honor society for non-traditional students. The new inductees are " Patricia Ambler-Perry, Jeffery Ball, Patricia Benner, Bowen Bennett, Lance Biechele, Tammy Boyce, Christie Brown, Cynthia Deibert, Kenneth Farrell, Beth Holder, Lesa Hughey, Anna Inasley, Babette Jarrett, Penny LaCorte, Darlene McCann, G. Eric Malin, Gregory Maloney, Peter Maturi, Andrew Mesmer, Glen Monk, Sally Montgomery, Teresa Polk, Cristy Rybacki, Edward Schlosser, Tamarra Smith, Dorothy Snyder, Linda Stevens, Gregory Tawes and Susan Twilley.

Alpha Sigma Lambda is the society for adult learners. Once a year, in the spring, all student records are examined in order to determine eligibility. According to national guidelines, the following are the criteria on which invitation to Alpha Sigma Lambda is based: 1) be 25 years of age or older; 2) be matriculated in a program leading to the first baccalaureate degree; 3) have completed 30 semester hours in institutional coursework as of completion of the fall semesters at the institution in which the student is presently enrolled; 4) within those 30 hours, 15 must be outside student's major; 5) establish a residency of four semesters (part-time students) and two semesters (full-time students); and 6) having a cumulative GPA of at least 3.2 on a scale with 4.0 as the highest grade.

If you would like more information, please contact Agata Liszkowska at 410-543-6313 (Guerrieri University Center 229A).

ANNUAL COMPETITION FOR FULBRIGHT GRANTS OPEN

The United States Department of State, the William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board and the Institute of International Education (IIE) announce the opening of May 1, 2000 of the 2001-2002 competitions for Fulbright and related grants for graduate study or research abroad in academic fields, and for professional training in the creative and performing arts.

The purpose of these grants is to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and other countries through the exchange of persons, knowledge and skills. Fulbright Grants are funded under the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961 through an annual appropriation made by Congress to the United States Department of State and by foreign governments, universities, corporations and private donors. The J. Will-

iam Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board, composed of 12 educational and public leaders appointed by the President of the United States, establishes criteria for the selection of candidates and has the final authority for the awarding of grants.

For all grants, applicants must be U.S. Citizens at the time of application and hold a bachelor's degree or its equivalent by the beginning date of the grant. Creative and performing artists are not required to have a bachelor's degree, but they must have four years of relevant training or study. Candidates in medicine must have an M.D. or equivalent (e.g., D.D.S., O.D., etc.) at the time of application.

All applicants are required to have sufficient proficiency in the language of the host country to carry out their proposed study or research.

Full grants provide round-trip international travel, maintenance for the tenure of the award, a research allowance and tuition waivers, if applicable. Travel grants provide round-trip international travel and are available to selected countries to supplement maintenance awards from other sources that do not provide funds for international travel or to supplement the applicant's personal funds. All grants include supplemental health and accident insurance.

Complete program and application information is contained in the brochure, "Fulbright and related grants for graduate study and research abroad, 2001-2002," and on IIE's website at www.iie.org/fulbright/us.

Students currently enrolled at SSU should contact Agata Liszkowska, the Fulbright Program Adviser on campus, located in GUC 229A for brochures, application forms and further information. The deadline for the receipt of application in Oct. 6, 2000. Applications will be reviewed on campus prior to being forwarded to IIE for the Oct. deadline.

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS

Are you interested in being PAID to work with children? If so, the America Counts Program and the America Reads Challenge are Federal Work-Study programs that are in need of tutors for the Fall 2000 and Spring 2001 Semesters!

No experience required and training will be provided! You may set your own hours and work with children in elementary schools. The only requirement is that you provide your own transportation. One of the schools is even within walking distance from campus.

This is an excellent opportunity

for qualifying students to earn money, enhance your resume, and provide tutoring in reading and math to under-served elementary school students.

If interested, contact the FINANCIAL AID OFFICE in 213 HH or call 410-543-6165.

CYCLE ACROSS MARYLAND- VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Cycling mentors are needed to work with teenagers preparing them for this summer's Cycle Across Maryland tour (July 21-27). If you have time one day on the weekends starting in April, and want to make a difference in someone else's life, consider helping in this program. In addition to cycling, help is needed in transportation, bicycle repair, storage of bicycles, and manning of rest stops during rides. Commitment is April through July. For additional information, call Joyce at CAM Corporation, (toll free) 888-226-7433.

CAM Corporation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that produces sporting events which fund innovative programs relating to sports activities. These events are the Carrollton Bank Cycle Across Maryland Tour, the Maryland In-Line Skating Festival, Subaru's Great Cookie Bike Rally and the Dominator Adventure Race. The event efforts benefit the distribution of free helmets to those in need; public education on helmet use; and the CAM Teen Challenge, a cycling mentor program for teens who need an opportunity to build self-esteem beyond the classroom.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

The Financial Management Association is a nationally recognized organization whose purpose is to help its members explore and pursue a career in finance. The FMA's focus this year was on recruiting new members and expanding the club's activities. Throughout the year, the FMA participated in a variety of activities, including luncheons, workshops, and listening to community leaders. The speakers included Kemper Baker of the Federal Reserve; Diane Turner of First Shore Federal Savings and Loan; and Frank Brittingham of CFS Retirement Solutions. Recently, the FMA had their end of the year meeting/social at Mulligan's, where over 40 members and professors met to finish off the year and play for the next.

INTERNSHIPS AVAILABLE

Do you want real-world experi-

ence for your resume? Perhaps you're thinking about a career in business, government, health care, law or conflict resolution. The Maryland Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division has internship positions available each semester and summers. You'll learn Maryland's consumer protection laws, be trained to mediate disputes and to provide information through the Division's Consumer Hotline. By interning in the Consumer Protection Division, you will gain the unique opportunity to apply this knowledge throughout your life, plus receive academic credit in most fields of study!

The Division's downtown Baltimore office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and is easily accessible by all public transportation. For more information, call 410-576-6519 or see the literature on file at the Career Center.

LAW SCHOOL FORUMS COMING TO WASHINGTON, DC

The 2000 Law School Forums, a free law school recruitment program sponsored by the Law School Admission Council and participating law schools, is coming to Washington, DC on Saturday, July 15, more than 135 law schools from across the country will be represented at the Washington, DC forum at the Renaissance Washington DC Hotel, 999 9th Street, NW from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Every year, thousands of prospective law students take advantage of this program as an opportunity to do some one-stop shopping for the right law school. At the forum, students are encouraged to talk with law school representatives about what their law schools have to offer. They can ask about specific admission criteria and get firsthand advice. Students can pick up admission materials, including catalogs and application forms.

Students are encouraged to attend information sessions presented by a live panel of experts on the admission process, financing a law school education, and issues of importance to minority applicants. Videos covering everything from what you need to know to apply to law school to career options for law school graduates will be shown throughout the day. Students are also welcome to purchase LSAC publications, including LSAT preparation materials.

The law School Forums will be held this fall in Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Los Angeles, Oakland, and New

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ΑΣΤ

Alpha Sigma Tau

Well, the semester is finally coming to a close. But, before it ends, make sure you check out Singled Out tonight at 7:30 p.m. in Caruthers Auditorium. Remember...last one standing wins the date. Also, just want to wish everyone good luck on finals...We all need it! It's been a great semester and we hope everyone has a great summer. See you in the fall!

P.S. Props to Kirsten on a great banquet! Thanks for all the hard work you put in!

Σ

Panhellenic

Hey Greeks! Well, Panhellenic is done for this semester and we can't wait for the next. The first Joint Panhellenic meeting of next semester is at 8:30 p.m. Sept. 7. All interested for sitting at a table this summer for freshmen/transfer orientation, please contact Angie at 410-341-7408. Good luck with Finals, see ya next fall! Have a great summer!

TKE

Tau Kappa Epsilon

Well, well, well, RCB is over and we are all still alive (ladies, if you weren't there, you've got a year to shorten up your skirts.) James, if you are reading this, we screwed up. Congrats to our graduating seniors. Jay, "I can cut and paste in any state" Tringone, Dave "My accounting book is my RCB date" Starno, Kent "the KGB works at the dump" Federov, Brian "When I shoot my guns I look so" Good, Richard "I scored once in five years (hockey, slappnuts!)" Woitkowiak, Ted "Do Alumni have to leave the 'bury' Gibson, Christopher "I've looked the same since sixth grade" Stone. Now hey Ranson, you're not el Presidente yet. Nanno says "Education is one of the toppest things in the world." Congrats to Dave Vaughn for winning special olympic gold for the half gainer platform dive at Brew River. And Rufee, remember, Tick says "you need to get in touch with your feminine side." RUN DMC rules! Have a great summer. Time see a therapist for those dreams. And

Kent, don't ever "Rock Bottom" Kit's girl again. And for the summer, always remember, "If it doesn't kill ya, it just makes ya stronger."

ZTA

Zeta Tau Alpha

Hey everyone! Thanks to all who made our carwash a success. Sorry, boys, Wawa required shirts and shoes. Kyle, how do you say that "p" word again? For anyone who's wondering, Carie also answers to Karen now. Why is Mulligan's Nicole,

Sarah, and Jess F.'s favorite restaurant? Thanks to Pi Lambda Phi for the socials last week. Christy - thanks for the interesting conversations. Tara, where was he? Susie, please don't throw yourself on anyone's car. Amy D., Millie's idea of a good time is not getting mace in her face! Vicki - did you win the bet? Kristin G. - you've earned drama again. Don't worry, Lauren M. has relieved you of your other nickname. Angela, he does go to SSU. Congrats again to our seniors - we are going to miss you. Have a great summer girls!

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York. For more information on the forums, call (215) 968-1001 or visit us on the Internet.

MARYLAND COMMISSION FOR CELEBRATION 2000

This is an on-going internship opportunity, with internships available in the fall, winter, spring, and summer semesters. Maryland 2000 position are for academic credit in accordance with internship policy at the student's university only. Working hours are flexible.

Interns will be treated as associate members of the commission staff and will be expected to act and dress in an appropriate manner as many of the responsibilities include interaction with professional journalists and government officials.

Maryland 2000 interns will assist commission staff in public relations, promotional activities, and project management. Duties will include writing, editing, and distributing media advisories, press releases, tip sheets, feature articles, pitch letters, and a bi-weekly newsletter, Countdown. Interns will also market story ideas to reporters and editors by telephone, man-

age the newsletter database, attend fairs and festivals, read local newspapers for Maryland 2000 articles, paste up newspaper and magazine clips, conduct research, distribute give-away items when requested, and complete other tasks as assigned.

When possible, Maryland 2000 interns will attend all events, including monthly commission meetings, press events, staff meetings, and other pertinent meetings. In some situations, interns will be assigned to assist specific staff members with one of Maryland 2000's core programs. Every effort will be made to place interns in areas they are interested. Interns will be exposed to as many facets of public relations as possible during their tenure with Maryland 2000.

The Maryland Commission of Celebration 2000 (Maryland 2000) was created by Executive Order of Governor Parris N. Glendening June 17, 1997, to help Marylanders enter the millennium with a better understanding of its history, a renewed sense of pride in the state, and a strong confidence in its future. Comptroller William Donald Schaefer is the chair of Maryland 2000. The commission will conclude January 1, 2001.

Contact Christine Duray (410-

260-6346) or Kenna Brigham (410-260-6345) to discuss the possibility of an internship. After talking with Christine or Kenna, you will need to send a resume, cover letter, writing samples (if available), and a list of journalism, public relations, and other related courses you have completed to 80 Calvert Street, Room 314, P.O. Box 466, Annapolis, MD 21404-0466.

OMICRON DELTA KAPPA

The Salisbury State University Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa, a national leadership honor society, inducted 21 new members on Saturday, May 6. They are: Kimberly Shawn Aragon, Takeia Marie Bradley, Mark R. Brier, Gina Melissa Dean, Kyle Eberhardt, Michelle Maria Ellassal, Sherry Lee Esposito, Colin Britton Exelby, Fill Elizabeth Fellman, David Thomas Frei, Joseph Worth Hutchinson, Davinna Ligans, Courtney Ann Malvetti, Darlene R. McCann, Rebecca Virginia Mitchell, Christine Anne Pelletier, Katie Amanda Profili, Stephanie Schultz, Davine Ligans Snead, Lauren Rebecca Sostrin and Ashley Michelle VanDoren.

New members (undergraduate, graduate, faculty or staff) are selected an-

nually, based on their active participation in the five special areas of university life: scholarship, athletics, journalism, speech, and mass media; performing arts; and social sciences, religious activities, and student government. Students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0.

For more information, please contact Agata Liszkowska at 410-543-6313.

PHI EPSILON KAPPA

Phi Epsilon Kappa, a Physical Education Honor Society, is offering peer tutoring on Monday nights. Members of Phi Epsilon Kappa will be available to tutor in all Physical Education classes, as well as Anatomy & Physiology and other related classes. Tutoring will be held from 8-10 every Monday night in Maggs 206.

SOCIAL WORK CLUB

The Social Work Club will be holding its Senior Ceremony on Friday, May 26 at 4 p.m. This event is held to honor the accomplishments of all of our graduating social work seniors. Everyone is welcome. Please join us! "Honor System Awards" will be given out this night as well.

CRIME BEAT

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Jim Phillips

Director of Public Safety

5/6-5/7-Vandalism-a report was received that a vehicle windshield was hit by several eggs while the vehicle was parked in the Dogwood lot.

5/5-Telephone Misuse-a resident of Choptank Hall reported receiving an annoying and unwanted phone call.

4/27-4/28-Theft-a student reported that a bike was stolen that had been locked to a bike rack at Fulton Hall.

5/3-5/4-Theft-an oriental rug, 9' x 12' in size, was reported missing from the Honors House.

4/14-5/4-Theft-a resident of St. Martin Hall reported that a bike was stolen from the bike rack at St. Martin Hall.

5/6-Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle-a witness reported that an unknown person was observed in a

Cushman vehicle on campus. The Cushman was recovered and no damage was received.

5/2-Theft-a resident of Chesapeake Hall reported in September, 1999, that parking permit #3721 had been stolen from a vehicle. That same permit was recovered from another student's vehicle on May 2, 2000. The victim does not want to press criminal theft charges. Restitution has been made and administrative action is pending.

5/6-5/7-B & E/Vandalism-unknown person(s) entered the equipment room at the Softball field and ransacked the room.

5/8-Theft-a student reported the theft of parking permit #3656 from a vehicle while parked in the Dogwood lot.

5/8-Hit & Run-a vehicle was damaged by an unknown vehicle while

parked in the St. Martin lot.

5/9-Theft-a resident of Choptank Hall reported that a wallet and contents were stolen from an unlocked locker in Maggs Gym.

3/1-5/9-Theft-a student reported that parking permit #4220 was stolen from his vehicle. The student did not know where the vehicle was located at the time of the theft.

5/5-Theft-The Salisbury State University flag and pole was reported missing from the Holloway Hall stage after the Honors Convocation. The flag is 3' x 5' in size, maroon in color with gold color letters. The pole is wooden, approx. 8' high.

5/9-Telephone misuse-a resident of Manokin Hall reported receiving an annoying and unwanted phone call.

4/17-Theft-a resident of Chester Hall reported that a package was delivered to the campus post office and signed for by an

unknown person.

5/10-Altered Parking Permit-a student altered an SSU parking permit in an attempt to change it to look like a "red" faculty/staff permit. Administrative action is pending.

5/12-Telephone Misuse-a resident of Choptank Hall reported receiving an annoying and unwanted phone call.

5/12-Indecent Exposure-an unknown male was observed urinating outside of a room on the third floor of Chester Hall. The suspect is described as a white male, not wearing a shirt, wearing yellow shorts.

CRIME SOLVERS of the Lower Eastern Shore, Inc. will pay a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and indictment of criminals or capture of wanted persons. You do not have to give your name. CALL 548-1776.

COMMENCEMENT

GENERAL INFORMATION AND DIRECTIONS

1. Commencement will be held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, May 27 in the Wicomico Youth and Civic Center. **ADMISSION WILL BE BY TICKET ONLY.** All graduates are requested to form for processional at 9:00 a.m. in the side corridors adjacent to the main arena on the first floor of the Civic Center (see #15-19 for location). Guests are required to be seated by 9:45 a.m.
2. The commencement speaker will be Marilyn Smith, Ph.D., Director of the Department of Service Learning at the Corporation for National Service.
3. Physically Disabled Guests - Please call the Guerrieri University Center Information Desk at (410) 543-6006 to request physically disabled seating. A reserved section is provided on the main floor of the arena. Space is limited, therefore, only one guest may be seated with each physically disabled person. Since seats cannot be reserved, an early arrival is suggested. Ask an usher for the location as you enter the Civic Center.
4. Hearing Impaired Guests - Signers are present for the entire graduation ceremony.

Please call the Guerrieri University Center Information Desk at (410) 543-6006 for information about seating. Since seats cannot be reserved, an early arrival is suggested. Ask an usher for the location as you enter the Civic Center.

5. The First Aid staff of the Civic Center will be on duty in the office on the right side of the foyer entrance just outside the main arena.
6. Caps, gowns, master's hoods and announcements (quantities are limited) will be distributed through THE BOOK RACK April 26 through April 28. Please note that students who are not able to pick up their graduation items during the above listed period may pick them up until noon Friday, May 26. Graduation items may be retained by the graduates and need not be returned following the ceremony. Problems with caps and gowns can be corrected at the Book Rack (during normal hours) or prior to the ceremony by the Book Rack employees at the Civic Center in Flanders Room #1 near the snack bar to the left of the arena entrances. Bookstore hours Monday through Thursday are 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Bookstore hours on Friday are 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **GRADUATES MUST**

PICK UP THE NECESSARY ITEMS ON OR BEFORE NOON FRIDAY, MAY 26.

*****TICKETS FOR GRADUATION WILL BE DISTRIBUTED BY THE BOOK RACK UNTIL MAY 26. EACH STUDENT WILL BE LIMITED TO FIVE TICKETS.**

******STUDENTS WHO PICK UP THEIR CAP AND GOWN AFTER APRIL 28 WILL STILL BE GUARANTEED FIVE TICKETS FOR GRADUATION.******

Students should NOT bring personal property, such as coats, cameras, purses, backpacks, etc. to graduation. If necessary, the above items can be left in Flanders Room #1. This room will be locked during the graduation ceremony. It will be unlocked when the ceremony is over. Students may pick up their possessions at that time. SSU will not be responsible for these items; students are therefore encouraged to leave valuables with family or friends. You will not be allowed to carry personal items during the ceremony.

7. Students will first be awarded degrees by school (e.g., School of Liberal Arts), and will be asked, by Interim President Jones, to stand and remain standing until all de-

grees have been awarded for that school. Interim President Jones will then signal graduates to move the tassel from the right side to the left side of the mortarboard, and then to be seated.

8. Then students will individually be awarded their diploma. The faculty marshals will have given each graduate a 3x5 card containing his/her name and school, (e.g. Perdue School of Business). The card is to be handed to the person at the podium when the graduate reaches the stage, and at the same time, the graduate is to announce his/her name to the person at the podium, who will then know who the person is and how to pronounce the name correctly. **THE NAME ON THE CARD MUST NOT BE CHANGED FOR ANY REASON.**

9. DURING THE RECESSIONAL, GRADUATES AND FACULTY ARE TO RETURN TO THE AREA WHERE THEY ASSEMBLED PRIOR TO THE CEREMONY. They should not stop or congregate in the lobby.

10. A brief reception for graduates and their guests will be held immediately following

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commencement in the Midway Room of the Civic Center. The reception is being sponsored by the Salisbury State University Alumni Association, and at the conclusion of the ceremony you will be official alumni of Salisbury State University.

11. Degree candidates who do not plan to participate in the commencement exercises **MUST NOTIFY THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE** by calling 543-6150 no later than Friday, May 19. All graduates will receive a blank folder at commencement, and all diplomas will be mailed approximately six weeks after the ceremony. It should be noted that the recognition of graduates and those who will achieve Honors is tentative pending certification of all graduation requirements.

12. The Department of Nursing will hold their Nursing Convocation on Friday, May 26 at 7:00 p.m. in Holloway Hall Auditorium with a reception immediately following the ceremony in the Great Hall in Holloway Hall.

13. The ROTC Commissioning Ceremony will take place at 5:00 p.m. in the Worcester, Room, the Commons Building on Friday, May 26, with a dinner immediately following the ceremony in the Worcester Room.

14 Faculty and staff should enter through the Midway Room entrance and line up for the processional at 9:15 a.m. in the Midway Room of the Civic Center. Faculty members are required to attend; those who are unable to do so should inform their respective School Dean.

15. BACHELOR OF SCIENCE candidates with last names beginning with the letter A through the letter F, will report to DRS. SENKBEIL AND SELDOMRIDGE. When you enter the main entrance of the Civic Center, go to the left corridor at the rear and line up alphabetically along the inside wall, facing East (the rear of the building). You will sit in Section 3 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the side aisle.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE candidates beginning with the letter G through the letter N, will report to DRS. BEN GREENE AND GEORGE RUBENSON. When you enter the main entrance of the Civic Center, go to the left corridor and enter one of the doors labeled "Flanders, Rooms 2 through 6. DRS. GREENE AND RUBENSON will line you up alphabetically in the Flanders area. You will sit in Section 5 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the side aisle.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE candidates beginning with the letter O through Z, will go to the left corridor after entering the main entrance of the Civic Center and will report to DRS. GAIL WELSH AND LEE MAY. You are to line up alphabetically along the windows facing the front of the building. You will sit in Section 7 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seat via the side aisle.

16. BACHELOR OF ARTS candidates will assemble in the South corridor of the Civic Center (to the right after you enter the front doors, on the side nearest the park). Candidates with last names beginning with the letter A through the letter K, will report to DRS. CAROLYN BOWDEN AND AUGUSTINE DIGIOVANNA at the rear of the corridor and will line up alphabetically facing East (the rear of the building). You will sit in Section 4 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the center aisle and fill in the section starting from the side aisle.

BACHELOR OF ARTS candidates with last names beginning with the letter L through the letter Z, will also go to the right after you enter the front doors of the Civic Center, but will go to the cross corridor (leading to the Midway Room) and report to DRS. FRANCES KENDALL AND GERALD ST. MARTIN. You will line up alphabetically in that corridor against the wall nearest the rear of the building. You will sit in Section 6 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the center aisle and fill in the section starting from the side aisle.

17. BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS candidates will assemble in the South corridor of the Civic Center, to the right after you enter the front doors. Report to DR. CAROLYN BOWDEN and she will tell you where to stand in the line. You will sit in Section 4 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seat via the center aisle.

18. BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SOCIAL WORK (B.A.S.W.) candidates will also go to the right after you enter the front doors of the Civic Center. You will proceed to

the cross corridor (leading to the Midway Room) and report to DR. ROBERT LONG. You will line up alphabetically in that corridor against the wall nearest the front of the building. You will sit in Section 6 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the center aisle and fill in the rows starting from the side aisle.

19. ALL MASTER'S DEGREE candidates (M.A., M.S., M.B.A. and M.Ed.) will enter the Civic Center at the Midway Room front entrance (closest to the park), and report to a faculty marshal in that corridor. M.A., M.S. and M.B.A. candidates will report to DR. STEVE GEHRICH. You will line up according to his direction, alphabetically by degree, and will sit in Section 8 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the center aisle and fill in the rows starting from the side aisle.

M.Ed. candidates are to report to DR. E. J. CRAIN and line up alphabetically at his direction. You will also sit in Section 8 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the center aisle and fill in the rows starting from the side aisle.

20. DRESS CODE

Graduation is a formal academic occasion and should be viewed as such in dress and demeanor. The academic robe is black with a V neckline and will show part of your clothing underneath. The recommended dress therefore is similar to what you would wear to a formal interview. Thus you should be mindful of the following considerations:

1. Dress clothing, preferably black or navy.
2. Black dress shoes (or some other dark color).
3. The gown should be mid-calf. If a dress is worn, the gown should cover the length of the dress.
4. No visible jewelry. Fraternity or sorority pins/ribbons may be worn; these are academic emblems and are not considered jewelry as such. Kente cloths are permissible as well.
5. No flowers on the academic robe, and no flowers are to be carried.
6. The mortarboard (academic hat) is to be worn with the front point over the forehead below the front hairline, so the flat board is parallel to the floor. (Not worn on the back of the head with the board pointing upward.) **NO DECORATION OF ANY**

KIND IS TO BE PLACED ON THE MORTARBOARD.

7. Honors students will have a gold and white hood. It is to be worn with the gold side out and the white inner lining turned out at the top, over the gold (like a collar). Gold cords would be worn under the honors hood.

8. Candidates for the bachelor's degree should come into the auditorium with the tassel on the right, hanging near the right eye. After the degrees are conferred, the tassel is shifted to the left side. The signal for shifting the tassel will be given by the President (and/or your faculty marshal).

9. Candidates for the master's degree will wear the robe and hood. Faculty marshals will give you more specific information.

10. Graduates will receive graduation picture information from Chappell Studio, Inc. This information will arrive at your permanent address in the near future.

11. Candidates should not chew gum or tobacco.

12. Candidates should NOT have personal belongings in their possession during the commencement ceremony. If necessary, personal items can be left in Flanders Room #1 during the graduation ceremony, when the room will be locked. It will be unlocked when the ceremony is over and students may pick up their possessions at that time. SSU will not be responsible for these items; students are therefore encouraged to leave valuables with family or friends.

21. GRADUATION DECORUM

Graduation ceremonies are, by their very nature, festive occasions. The festivity manifests itself in many ways including the dress of the students and faculty adorned in academic regalia and the warmth, joy and satisfaction of accomplishment. The ceremonies are also marked by seriousness where the actual conferring of degrees signifies long hard work on the part of everyone involved: students, faculty, administrators, parents and spouses. As a consequence of the serious nature of the ceremony, students are expected to maintain a measure of decorum consonant with the occasion. Applause and other recognition of the conferring of degrees should be limited to a joint effort at the conclusion of each graduation group, (e.g., B.S., B.A., etc.).

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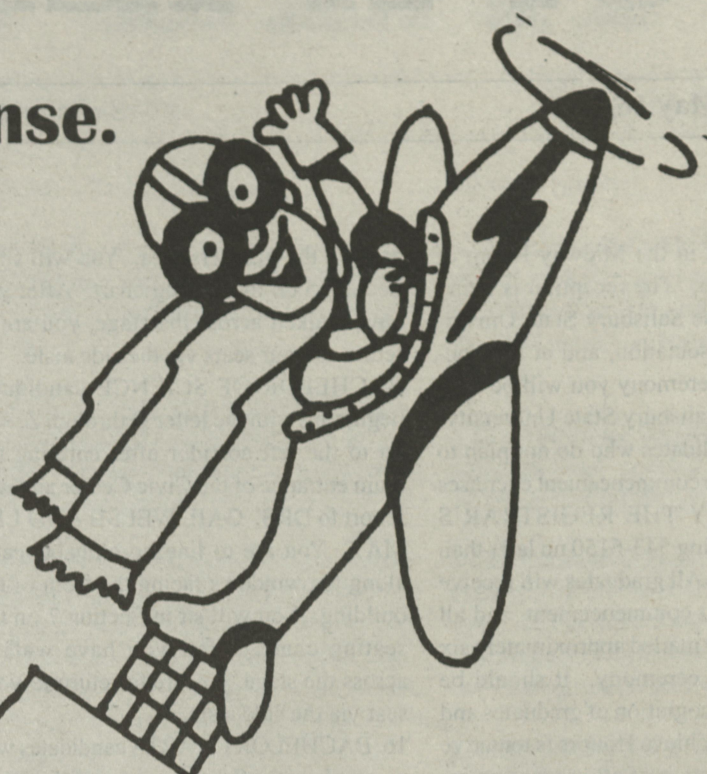
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